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Description

Field of the Invention

This invention relates generally to data communication systems, and more specifically to secure data processing on a data communication system.

Background of the Invention

Data Enclave

Individuals working in a departmental computing environment typically have a substantial amount of computing power on their desks in the form of personal computers and workstations. A workstation has a computational subsystem, keyboard, and display for user interaction, and typically substantial amounts of local data storage in the form of fixed and removable media.

In order for the individual in the departmental computing environment to interact and share data, their workstations are typically attached to a local area network (LAN) which permits the transfer of data files and electronic mail between the workstations. In addition, "servers" may be attached to the LAN to provide specialized services, such as the management of centralized databases, which are not practical for individual workstations.

Departmental computing environments are typically members of a larger organization or have other reasons to communicate with computing facilities outside themselves. They therefore make use of a special kind of server, called a "gateway", to gain access to a wide area network (WAN). WANs are often interconnected (called "internetting") to provide world-wide data transmission paths.

Departmental Computing Environment

A typical overall departmental computing environment is shown in Figure 1. In the departmental computer environment 1, large amounts of valuable data is stored on magnetic or other electronic Media 2, 4 for processing in the Workstations 10 and file servers (not shown). This media offers the benefits of compact storage, easy retrieval, and in the case of removable Media 4 (e.g., "diskettes"), convenient sharing and distribution.

In addition, data is transmitted freely around the Local Area Network 12 and occasionally through a Gateway 14 to the Wide Area Network 16 and Remote Sites 18. This transmission is necessary in order for the organization performing departmental computing to perform its internal work and interact with the outside world.

There is also a requirement that certain operations, including but not limited to the transmission of data to the outside world, be restricted to individuals who possess special privileges. Examples of such operations are messages (electronic mail) which are directive in na-

ture, such as users to transfer funds, and operations such as the adding of new orders or the granting of limited access to departmental data to users on the Wide Area Network 16 (remote login and file transfer).

Threats Against Department Computing Environment

The threats against the departmental computing environment are shown in Figure 2.

The data in this environment is vulnerable to theft and tampering. Removable media can be stolen, copied, and returned with no sign that loss has occurred. The fruits of thousands of hours of labor can be stolen in a package that fits easily in a coat pocket. Crucial data can be modified or destroyed, either directly or through the agency of technical entities such as "viruses", which are introduced into the Workstations 10 and servers through the agency of corrupted media or through the wide area network connection.

There are also threats to the privileged operations. Unauthorized individuals, masquerading as someone else, can cause disruptive or erroneous directives to be issued and thereby perpetrate sabotage and fraud. Malicious "hackers" with access to the wide area network can use that network to "reach in" to the departmental computing environment and masquerade as authorized users or otherwise obtain access to data, which they can then transfer worldwide, again with no sign that compromise has occurred.

Accordingly, there is a need for techniques whereby a departmental computing system 1 can be converted into a "data enclave." Within such an enclave:

- (1) Data can be restricted to a single organization, such as a government agency or a corporation.
- (2) Sharing of data between organizational elements (directorates, departments, projects, etc.) can be controlled. For example, it may be required that data such as a telephone directory be accessible by every employee, but data such as engineering drawings should not be allowed to circulate throughout the whole corporation.
- (3) Sharing of data between individuals in organizational elements can be controlled. For example, even though an individual is a member of the engineering department, that individual may not have a "need to know" for all of the drawings in the department.
- (4) Data is protected from technical attacks such as "viruses" and "worms."
- (5) Intellectual property is protected irrespective of whether it is on electronic media, being processed in a Workstation, or being transferred around the local area network.
- (6) The protections are achieved with minimum cost and disruption of operations, such as would occur if access to the wide area network were forbidden.

(7) Privileged operations are restricted to those users possessing the requisite privileges and cannot be invoked, through masquerading or other technical means, by unauthorized users.

As shown in overview form in Figure 3, and as will be described more fully in the Detailed Description of the Invention, the facilities provided by the present invention convert a departmental computing environment into a "data enclave" 20 with a well-defined perimeter 22. Sharing of data within the Enclave 20 is controlled, and movement of data within and outside the enclave can only be effected by authorized individuals with suitable privilege. There are no "sneak paths" or "holes" that exist.

The present invention also minimizes the damage that can be done by privileged individuals who become subverted. Cryptographic keys are transmitted and stored entirely in enciphered form, and well-known techniques (called "antitamper" technology) can be used to protect an enclave key when it is in use inside a cryptographic device. Theft of elements of the present invention does not compromise any part of the operation of the invention.

Individuals desiring access to Media 2,4 have to deal with a Secure Computer 24, in this case a security server, only when Media 2,4 is initialized. "Unlocking" a unit of Media 2,4 requires an operation no more complicated than using a television remote control. Overhead and delay is concentrated at the time a Media 2,4 is "unlocked", and no delays or incompatibilities are introduced during operations using the Media 2 or 4.

Remotely invoked privileged operations at the security server 24 are under the positive control of the user. That control is cryptographically protected and mutually authenticated.

Identification and authentication of users to the security server 24 is both simpler and more robust than former implementations such as passwords. The same basic steps are used for security operations dealing with Media 2,4 and dealing with the security server 24.

In the data protection area, the system associates Media 2 or 4 primarily with users and secondarily with machines or Workstations 10. This is a more natural structure than one where media is only useable on a single machine or Workstation 10.

Control logic computes allowed access at the last possible moment using the combination of an "access vector" assigned to an individual and the "device attributes" assigned to a particular Workstation 10, which can be used to enforce a variety of security policies. For example, an individual's access to data may be restricted not only on the basis of the individual's attributes but also to protected physical locations. Thus an individual's access vector may grant "read" access to a unit of media which contains proprietary engineering data, but the comparison against the device attributes making the access, may restrict display of the contents of the unit of

media to those machines inside a particular facility or office. Physical security measures can then be used to restrict who may be in the vicinity when the data is displayed. Previous implementations in this area have permitted only an "all or nothing" approach to access.

European Patent Specification No. EP-A-421409 relates to data security for networks converting a host computer to several work stations and personal data carriers such as IC-cards by means of different keys or data elements.

US Patent Specification US-A-5052040 also discloses a security system using different keys for communication and data processing.

In accordance with a first aspect of the invention there is provided a data enclave as set out in claim 1.

In accordance with a second aspect of the invention there is provided a data enclave method as set out in claim 2.

A media key is provided for each unit of media, and used to encrypt and protect data carried on the media, with the media keys stored in the personal keying devices. A media unique identifier (media UID) is provided for each unit of media, stored on the media, and used to identify the corresponding media key for the unit of media stored in a personal keying device, and to identify media attributes assigned to the unit of media. Media attributes are associated with each unit of media to which a media UID has been assigned, and used to represent the sensitivity or other security related information that may pertain to the data carried on that unit of media.

An access vector is associated with each media key to form media key/access vector pairs, stored in the personal keying devices, and used to represent the possible conditions of access to the data encrypted on the media for the user assigned to the personal keying device holding the media key/access vector pair or pairs with each access vector formed using the corresponding media attributes and user attributes, and a set of access rules. The media key/access vector pairs are stored in the personal keying devices enciphered with a combined key including the user's UID, the user's PIN and the enclave key. Device attributes are assigned to each workstation, stored in that device's crypto media controller, and used to represent the security attributes of the workstations.

Each crypto media controller includes access control logic for restricting access to the data on the media based on the user's PIN, the access vector and the device attributes for the workstation from which access is attempted.

Brief Description of the Drawings

The operational enhancements and features of the present invention become more apparent from a consideration of the drawings and following detailed description.

Figure 1 is a diagram illustrating a typical departmental computing environment incorporating a local area network with a wide area network.

Figure 2 is a diagram illustrating possible threats against the departmental computing environment.

Figure 3 is an overall simplified block diagram of a secure data processing system illustrating the Data Enclave implementation.

Figure 4 is a simplified block diagram of the main data processing elements in the apparatus implementing the present invention.

Figure 5 is a simplified block diagram of the Workstation data processing elements using a Workstation configuration supporting coprocessor cryptography.

Figure 6 is a simplified block diagram of the Workstation data processing elements using a Workstation configuration supporting inline cryptography.

Figure 6a is a pictorial diagram of a personal keying device illustrating the appearance, features, and functions.

Figure 6b is a schematic diagram of the data elements created and utilized for the protection of data in the present invention.

Figure 7 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for the extraction of user data at the Workstation, implemented in the Media Initialization and Key Generation phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 8 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for preparation and sending of a "Request Packet", implemented in the Media Initialization and Key Generation phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 9 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for receipt of a "Request Packet" at the Security Server, implemented in the Media Initialization and Key Generation phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 10 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for the checking of user identity and the generation of a Media UID, implemented in the Media Initialization and Key Generation phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 11 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for Access Vector generation, implemented in the Media Initialization and Key Generation phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 12 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for "Key Packet" generation and storage, implemented in the Media Initialization and Key Generation phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 13 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for Media UID and "Key Packet" assignment, implemented in the Media Initialization and Key Generation phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 14 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for extracting identification data and forming a Request, implemented in the Key Assignment phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 15 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for the encryption and transmission of a "Re-

quest Packet", implemented in the Key Assignment phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 16 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for the computation of an Access Vector, implemented in the Key Assignment phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 17 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for key generation, storage, and transmission, implemented in the Key Assignment phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 18 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for the transfer of the key to the personal keying device, implemented in the Key Assignment phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 19 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for Media Key and Access Vector extraction, implemented in the Keying of Devices phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 20 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for Media Key and Access Vector use, implemented in the Keying of Devices phase of Data Enclave operation.

Figure 21 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for the initialization of the authentication process, implemented in the Identification and Authentication phase of Trusted Path operation.

Figure 22 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for the authentication of identity and the establishment of privileges, implemented in the Identification and Authentication phase of Trusted Path operation.

Figure 23 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for the preparation and transmission of the "Response Packet", implemented in the Identification and Authentication phase of Trusted Path operation.

Figure 24 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for the completion of the authentication sequence, implemented in the Identification and Authentication phase of Trusted Path operation.

Figure 25 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for the initiation of a privileged operation, implemented in the Privileged Services phase of Trusted Path operation.

Figure 26 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the steps for the determination of privileges, implemented in the Privileged Services phase of Trusted Path operation.

Figure 27 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for the acknowledgment of privileges, implemented in the Privileged Services phase of Trusted Path operation.

Figure 28 is a simplified block diagram illustrating the step for the display of the acknowledgment, implemented in the Privileged Services phase of Trusted Path operation.

Figure 29 shows an alternate embodiment of the Data Enclave system.

Figure 30 shows the configuration for initializing fixed media according to the alternate embodiment of

Figure 29.

Figure 31 shows the configuration for initializing removable media according to the alternate embodiment of Figure 29.

Detailed Description of the Invention

In the following detailed description of the preferred embodiments, reference is made to the accompanying drawings which form a part hereof, and in which is shown by way of illustration, specific embodiments in which the invention may be practiced. It is to be understood that other embodiments may be utilized and structural changes may be made without departing from the scope of the present invention.

The term "logic" is used throughout the ensuing description with reference to the structure of various electronic components of the invention. The term is intended to have a broad meaning, and to encompass hardware implementations, software implementations, and combinations thereof.

Processing Elements

The present invention consists of processing elements and data elements. The interrelation of the processing elements is shown generally in Figures 3 and 4 (in part described above) and in more detail in Figures 5 and 6. The descriptions given below show cryptographic protection provided only to those distinguished transmissions required in the operation of the invention. In such a case, the elements of the invention are preferably arranged with regard to the Workstation 10 as shown in Figure 5.

If it is desired to protect all transmissions over the Local Area Network 12, e.g., to prevent wiretapping or other monitoring by unauthorized personnel, then the Crypto Media Controller 26 could be used to encipher and decipher all data going out over the Network 12. In this case, the elements of the invention could be arranged with regard to the Workstation 10 as shown in Figure 6.

Security Server

The Security Server 24, a secure computer, is a distinguished server that performs gateway and security functions at the interface between the Local Area Network 12 and the Wide Area Network 16. It also performs the key management and backup functions for the cryptography in the Enclave 20. The Security Server 24 can be implemented in the form of a secure computer for example, as disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 4,621,321 to Boebert et al, entitled "Secure Data Processing System Architecture", 4,713,753 to Boebert et al, entitled "Secure Data Processing System Architecture with Format Control", and 4,701,840 to Boebert et al, entitled "Secure Data Processing System Architecture".

Personal Keying Device

Each user 5 is issued a Personal Keying Device 30. Personal Keying Devices 30 are used for key insertion and individual authentication. A Personal Keying Device 30 (shown in more detail in Figure 6a) preferably contains fixed or removable electronic storage and processor 32, a keypad 34, a display 36, and a data transfer interface 38 that can be either wired or wireless (e.g., radio, infrared) and is compatible with an interface 31 on a Crypto Media Controller 26. The Personal Keying Device 30 can be highly portable, e.g., pocket calculator size. Personal Keying Devices 30 may also be equipped with theft detection circuitry to prevent them from being physically removed from the enclave working area.

Crypto Media Controller

The standard media controller on each Workstation 10 is replaced with a Crypto Media Controller 26. Crypto Media Controllers 26 perform key management, media encryption and decryption, and authentication functions. A Crypto Media Controller 26 has the same interfaces as the standard media controllers, as well as a data transfer interface that is compatible with the one on the Personal Keying Device 30. The Crypto Media Controllers 26 can be the same size as the standard media controllers they replace.

Data Elements

The present invention also includes a variety of data elements, as described below and schematically represented in Figure 6b.

Enclave Key

There is one Enclave Key 40 per organization. It is held in protected storage in the Security Server 24 and the Crypto Media Controllers 26, and is used to protect Media Keys 42 when they are being transmitted along the LAN 12.

Media Key

There is one Media Key 42 assigned to each physical unit of the media, whether that unit is fixed 2 or removable 4. Assignment is done when the media is initialized at the Workstation 10. This key is used to protect the data on the Media 2 or 4.

Combined Keys

Combined Keys 44 are generated in the operation of the present invention from other data elements and keys.

Media Unique Identifier (Media UID)

Each physical unit of media, whether fixed 2 or removable 4, is assigned a Media Unique Identifier 46 (Media UID). This number is generated by the Security Server 24, and stored in whatever field the Media 2 or 4 software uses to identify physical units (e.g., Volume Label). The Media UID 46 is used to find the appropriate Media Key 42 in the Personal Keying Device 30, and to locate that data pertaining to the unit of media which is stored in the Security Server 24 (e.g., Media Attributes).

User Unique Identifier (User UID)

Each individual who has potential access to encrypted media is assigned a User Unique Identifier 48 (User UID) which is stored in that user's Personal Keying Device 30, encrypted with the Enclave Key 40. The User UID 48 forms part of the key used to protect Media Keys 42 in the Personal Keying Device 30, and is used to extract that data pertaining to the user 5 which is stored in the Security Server 24 (e.g., User Attributes).

Personal Identification Number (PIN)

Each user 5 is assigned a Personal Identification Number 50 (PIN), which is used to form part of the key that protects Media Keys 42 in the Personal Keying Device 30.

Access Vector

An Access Vector 52 is associated with each Media Key 42 stored in a Personal Keying Device 30. The Access Vector 52 is used to represent those possible conditions of access to the data enciphered with that Media Key 42 that may apply to the individual assigned to that Personal Keying Device 30.

Media Attributes

Media Attributes 54 are associated with each element of Media 2 or 4 to which a Media UID 46 has been assigned. Media Attributes 54 are used to represent the sensitivity or other security related information that may pertain to the data on that element of media.

User Attributes

A set of "User Attributes" 56 are associated with each user to which a User UID 48 has been assigned. User Attributes 56 are used to represent the privileges and other security related information which pertains to that user.

Device Attributes

Device Attributes 58 are assigned to each Crypto

Media Controller 26, and reflects the Security Attributes 57 of the machine in which the Crypto Media Controller 26 is installed. Device Attributes 58 are combined with Access Vectors 52 to set limits on media access (e.g., read only). Device Attributes 58 are typically defined by the physical security measures which surround the Workstation 10 in which the Crypto Media Controller 26 is installed. For example, a Workstation 10 installed in an open environment may have Device Attributes 58 set to "Authorized to Process Public Data Only", whereas one in a closed engineering facility may have Device Attributes 58 set to "Authorized to Process Proprietary Engineering Data."

Requests

Requests 60 are transmitted back and forth between the Crypto Media Controller 26 and Security Server 24 in the course of operations which require co-operation between the two devices. Requests 60 contain a variety of information depending on the nature of the operation being performed as well as optional integrity fields such as cyclic redundancy checks or check sums.

Countersigns

The purpose of the Countersign 62 logic is to prevent malicious code in the Workstations 10 from masquerading as the Security Server 24, and thereby duping users 5 into taking inappropriate actions. Each time a user 5 is identified to the Security Server 24 (e.g., each new session), the Security Server 24 generates a "fresh" Countersign 62. Countersigns 62 are words, symbols, or phrases which are easy to remember and which are generated by some process which makes it computationally infeasible to guess from one Countersign 62 what the value of the next one will be. The Countersign 62 for a session is presented by the Security Server 24 as a header to each message it sends to the user 5 when communicating over a Trusted Path. The present invention also provides a "Trusted Path." A Trusted Path is a logical communications path between a human user 5 and the Secure Computer 24 (Figure 3). A Trusted Path differs from other modes of communication in that there is a high degree of assurance on the part of both parties that the communication is authentic; that is, the human user is truly seeing what the secure computer intends the human user to see, and the secure computer is making decisions on the basis of precisely what the human user has transmitted to it.

The Countersign 62 is displayed to the user 5 on the Personal Keying Device 30 when the Trusted Path is in effect, and is protected from the Workstations 10 and the communications media by cryptography and is computationally infeasible to guess. Its presence on the display of the Personal Keying Device 30 is a positive indication to a user that the communication in which the

user is engaged, is taking place over a Trusted Path to the Security Server 24.

Countersigns 62 are arranged so that the logic in the Security Server 24 can, for any given Countersign 62, determine what the previous Countersign 62 in the sequence was. That is, given a Countersign 62, the Security Server 24 can compute or retrieve a correct value of the previous one, which is called the "last countersign" 62'.

OPERATION OF DATA ENCLAVE 20

The present invention makes use of cryptography to protect the data on Media 2 or 4 and uses an innovative method to distribute and protect the cryptographic keys in order to achieve security, flexibility, and ease of use. The same cryptographic services are used to prevent unauthorized access through the Wide Area Network 16, or the unauthorized use of privileged services.

As described in more detail below, protection of the data on Media 2 or 4 takes place in three broad phases. The first phase, which is done very infrequently, is media initialization and key assignment to the individual user 5 requesting the initialization. The second phase, which is also infrequently done, is the assignment of a key for already-initialized Media 2 or 4 to additional individuals. The third phase, which is done more frequently, is the keying of devices, so access to the data may be made.

Media Initialization and Key Generation

The media initialization and key generation phase generates a Media Key 42 and an Access Vector 52 for a unit of Media 2 or 4 and places them in enciphered form in the Personal Keying Device 30 assigned to the individual requesting the initialization. This data is also archived in the Security Server 24 so that it may be restored at a later time.

Key Assignment

The key assignment phase assigns a Media Key/Access Vector pair, or combination, for an already-initialized unit of media to a new individual. The Media Key 42 will be a copy of the one generated when the unit of Media 2 or 4 was initialized. The Access Vector 52, since it depends on User Attributes 56 as well as Media Attributes 54, will be newly computed.

Keying of Devices

The keying of devices phase automatically extracts the proper Media Key/Access Vector combination from the Personal Keying Device 30, decrypts them and uses them to allow controlled access to the unit of Media 2 or 4. The Media Key/Access Vector combination are enciphered with a Combined Key 44 which includes the user's PIN 50. This restricts a particular Media Key/Access

Vector combination to the individual to whom it was assigned.

Media Initialization and Key Generation

The operations in the Media Initialization and Key Generation Phase occur when a blank unit of Media 2 or 4 is to be prepared for safe use in the Enclave 20. This preparation involves initializing the Media 2 or 4, assigning a Media UID 46 to it, generating a Media Key 42 which is unique to that unit of media, and assigning a Media Key/Access Vector pair to the user 5, initializing the media.

The operations in this phase are keyed to the diagrams in Figure 7 through Figure 13. The logic used to implement the Trusted Path facilities is omitted from these diagrams.

Step 1 (Figure 7)

An individual brings together a blank unit of physical Media 2 or 4 and his or her Personal Keying Device 30 to a Workstation 10 which is equipped with a Crypto Media Controller 26 and attached to a Local Area Network 12. If the Media 4 is removable, this is done by carrying Media 4 and Personal Keying Device 30 to an appropriate Workstation 10. If Media 4 is permanently installed (Fixed Media 2), Personal Keying Device 30 is brought to the Workstation containing the fixed media controlled by Crypto Media Controller 26, and the Workstation 10 is temporarily attached to the Local Area Network 12.

Step 2 (Figure 7)

The individual user 5 desiring access to Media 2 or 4 then enters his or her PIN 50 into Personal Keying Device 30 which transmits it to Crypto Media Controller 26, where it is stored for use in later steps.

Step 3 (Figure 7)

Crypto Media Controller 26 then extracts the encrypted User UID 48' from their Personal Keying Device 30, decrypts the User UID 48 using the Enclave Key 40, and stores it for use in later steps.

Step 4 (Figure 8)

Crypto Media Controller 26 forms a packet consisting of the PIN 50, the User UID 48, and a Request 60 for media initialization. The request field will include the nature of the request and appropriate supporting data such as the Security Attributes 57 to be assigned to Media 2 or 4. Key Management Crypto 70 in Crypto Media Controller 26 enciphers it using the Enclave Key 40, and transmits it across the Local Area Network 12 to Security Server 24.

Step 5 (Figure 9)

Security Server 24 receives the encrypted packet 90, decrypts it using its copy of the Enclave Key 40, and stores the PIN 50, User UID 40, and Request 60 for use in later steps.

Step 6 (Figure 10)

Storage Search Logic 72 in Security Server 24 uses the User UID 48 to index User Attribute Data Base 80, which returns a pass value if the PIN 50 entered by the user 5 in Step 1 is the same as that stored in the data base, i.e., a valid PIN 50. User Attribute Data Base 80 returns a fail value if the PIN 50 entered by the user is invalid. A fail value will cause the initialization process to abort and a notification to be sent back to Crypto Media Controller 26, which will display it to the user 5 in an appropriate fashion. The abort sequence is not diagrammed in the figures.

Step 7 (Figure 10)

Storage Search Logic 72 extracts the Media Attributes 54 from the Request and commands Media Attribute Data Base 82 to make an entry for the new element of Media 2 or 4. Since Media Attribute Data Base 82 is indexed by the Media UID 46, this has the effect of creating a new Media UID 46 which is sent to Crypto Media Controller 26 and saved for use in later steps.

Step 8 (Figure 11)

Storage Search Logic 72 uses the User UID 48 to index User Attribute Data Base 80 and extract the set of Security Attributes 57 pertaining to this user, and passes these attributes to Security Policy Logic 86.

Step 9 (Figure 11)

Security Policy Logic 86 accepts the Media Attributes 54 and User Attributes 56, and, using a set of rules defined by the administrators of the facility, computes an Access Vector 52 which defines limits on the access this user 5 may have to this unit of Media 2 or 4. This computation may involve the intervention of administrative personnel to authorize or deny the granting of certain privileges.

Step 10 (Figure 12)

Key Management Crypto 70, with the optional aid of authorized individuals, then generates a Media Key 42 for this unit of Media 2 or 4. The manner of generation can involve computation, access to stored tables, requests for inputs from authorized individuals, or any combination thereof. Other methods of key generation may also be used. The Media Key 42 and Access Vector

52 pair 91 are enciphered with a combined key 44 consisting of the User UID 48, the user's PIN 50 and the Enclave Key 40.

Step 11 (Figure 12)

The enciphered packet is sent to Storage Search Logic 72 where the User UID 48 and Media UID 46 are used to store the enciphered packet 92 in Crypto Key Data Base 84. The Media UID and the enciphered packet 92 are transmitted along the LAN 12 to Crypto Media Controller 26.

Step 12 (Figure 13)

The Media UID 46 arrives at Crypto Media Controller 26 and is written to the appropriate location on Media 2 or 4 (e.g., Volume Label).

Step 13 (Figure 13)

The enciphered Media Key/Access Vector pair packet 92 arrives at Crypto Media Controller 26 and the Media UID 46 is used as an index to store the enciphered pair packet 92 in Personal Keying Device 30.

At this point the initialization process is complete. The media can be identified and the individual Personal Keying Device 30 contains a Media Key 42 which can only be used by someone who has physical possession of that Personal Keying Device 30, knows that individual's PIN 50, and has the Media 2 or 4 controlled by a Crypto Media Controller 26 containing the Enclave Key 40. The individual's Personal Keying Device 30 also contains an Access Vector 52 which defines further restrictions on access in a manner that is specific to the individual who has physical possession of that Personal Keying Device 30 and knows that individual's PIN 50.

Key Assignment

The operations in the Key Assignment Phase of the invention occur when an already-initialized unit of Media 2 or 4 is to be shared with a user 5 other than the one who initialized it. In this case, the unit of Media 2 or 4 has a Media Key 42 generated for it, and a Media Key/Access Vector pair 91 has been assigned to the initial user of the unit Media 2 or 4. The necessary steps are to copy the Media Key/Access Vector pair 91 to the new user 5.

The operations in this description are keyed to the diagrams in Figure 14 through Figure 18. The logic used to implement the Trusted Path facilities is omitted from these diagrams.

Step 1 (Figure 14)

An individual brings together a unit of physical Media 2 or 4 and his or her Personal Keying Device 30 to

a Workstation 10 which is equipped with Crypto Media Controller 26, and which is attached to the Local Area Network 12. If Media 2 or 4 is removable, this is done by carrying Media 4 and their Personal Keying Device 30 to an appropriate Workstation 10. If Media 2 or 4 is permanently installed (fixed media), Personal Keying Device 30 is brought to the computer containing the fixed Media 2 controlled by Crypto Media Controller 26.

Step 2 (Figure 14)

The individual desiring access to Media 2 or 4 then enters his or her PIN 50 into Personal Keying Device 30 which transmits it to Crypto Media Controller 26, where it is stored for use in later steps.

Step 3 (Figure 14)

Crypto Media Controller 26 then extracts the encrypted User UID 48 from Personal Keying Device 30, decrypts the User UID 48 using the Enclave Key 40 and stores it for use in later steps.

Step 4 (Figure 14)

Storage Search Logic 72 in Crypto Media Controller 26 then reads the Media UID 46 off Media 2 or 4 and searches Personal Keying Device 30 for a Media Key/ Access Vector pair 91 for this unit of Media 2 or 4 for this user 5. Finding none, it generates a Request 60 for key assignment.

Step 5 (Figure 15)

Key Management Crypto 70 forms a request packet 94 consisting of the PIN 50, User UID 48, Media UID 46 and Request 60, encrypts it with the Enclave Key 40, and transmits it over the Local Area Network 12 to Security Server 24.

Step 6 (Figure 16)

Security Server 24 receives the encrypted packet 94, decrypts it using its copy of the Enclave Key 40, and stores the PIN 50, User UID 48, Media UID 46 and Request 60 for use in later steps.

Step 7 (Figure 16)

Storage Search Logic 72 in Security Server 24 uses the User UID 48 to index User Attribute Data Base 80. User Attribute Data Base 80 returns a pass value if the PIN 50 entered by the user 5 was the same as that stored in the data base (i.e. valid). User Attribute Data Base 80 returns a fail value if the PIN 50 entered by the user is invalid. A fail value will cause the assignment process to abort and a notification to be sent back to Crypto Media Controller 26, which will display it to the

user in an appropriate fashion. The abort sequence is not diagrammed in the figures.

Step 8 (Figure 16)

The User UID 48 is used as an index into User Attribute Data Base 80 by Storage Search Logic 72, and the Security Attributes 57 of the user 5 requesting key assignment are extracted and passed to Security Policy Logic 86.

Step 9 (Figure 16)

The Media UID 46 is used as an index into Media Attribute Data Base 82 by Storage Search Logic 72, and the Security Attributes 57 of the denoted item of Media 2 or 4 are extracted and passed to the Security Policy Logic 86.

Step 10 (Figure 16)

Security Policy Logic 86 accepts these Attributes 57, and, using a set of rules defined by the administrators of the facility, computes an Access Vector 52 which defines limits on the access this user 5 may have to this unit of Media 2 or 4. This computation may involve the intervention of administrative personnel to authorize the granting or denying of certain privileges. This Access Vector 52 is saved for use in later steps.

Step 11 (Figure 17)

The Media UID 46 is used by Storage Search Logic 72 to find an enciphered key packet in Crypto Key Data Base 84 which has been previously stored and which contains a Media Key 42 for this unit of media. Since the Media 2 or 4 has been initialized and assigned a Media UID 46, then at least one such packet must exist. Any such packet will suffice, since all packets pertaining to a given unit of Media 2 or 4 will contain the same Media Key 42. When such a packet is found, the Media Key 42 is extracted from it for use in later steps.

Step 12 (Figure 17)

A new Key Packet 93 is formed consisting of the Media Key 42, Access Vector 52, User UID 48, and Media UID 46 and placed in Crypto Key Data Base 84 for archival storage and retrieval.

Step 13 (Figure 17)

The Media Key and Access Vector pair 91 are enciphered with a Combined Key 44 consisting of the User UID 48, the user's PIN 50, and the Enclave Key 40, and the enciphered packet 92 is transmitted along the LAN 12 to Crypto Media Controller 26.

Step 14 (Figure 18)

The Media UID 46 is used as an index to store the enciphered Media Key/Access Vector pair 91 in Personal Keying Device 30.

At this point the new individual's Personal Keying Device 80 contains a Media Key 42 which can only be used by someone who has physical possession of that Personal Keying Device 30, knows that individual's PIN 50, and has the Media 2 or 4 controlled by a Crypto Media Controller 26 containing the Enclave Key 40. The individual's Personal Keying Device 30 also contains an Access Vector 52, which defines further restrictions on access in a manner that is specific to the individual who has physical possession of that Personal Keying Device 30 and knows that individual's PIN 50.

Keying of Devices

The operations in the Keying of Devices Phase occur when a Media Key/Access Vector pair 91 for a unit of Media 2 or 4 has been assigned to a user 5, and that user 5 wants to exercise the assigned accesses. The steps in this description are keyed to the diagrams in Figures 19 and 20. The logic used to implement the Trusted Path facilities is omitted from these diagrams.

Step 1 (Figure 19)

An individual user 5 establishes a data transfer interface between his or her Personal Keying Device 30 and any Crypto Media Controller 26 containing the Enclave Key 40, and between that Crypto Media Controller 26 and Media 2 or 4 the individual user 5 desires to access. In the latter case, this will involve placing the unit of Media 4 into the appropriate device (e.g., diskette drive).

Step 2 (Figure 19)

The individual user 5 desiring access to Media 2 or 4 then enters his or her PIN 50 into Personal Keying Device 30 which transmits it to Crypto Media Controller 26, where it is stored for use in later steps.

Step 3 (Figure 19)

Storage Search Logic 72 in Crypto Media Controller 26 reads the Media 2 or 4 and extracts the Media UID 46.

Step 4 (Figure 19)

Using the Media UID 46, Storage Search Logic 72 searches Storage 78 in Personal Keying Device 30 and extracts the enciphered Media Key/Access Vector pair packet 92 and passes it to Key Management Crypto 70.

Step 5 (Figure 19)

The enciphered User UID 48' is fetched from Personal Keying Device 30 and deciphered using the Enclave Key 40.

Step 6 (Figure 19)

The User UID 48, PIN 50, and Enclave Key 40 are then combined to form the Combined Key 44 to decrypt the Media Key/Access Vector packet 92. The Media Key 42 is passed to Data Crypto 74, and the Access Vector 52 is passed to Access Control Logic 76.

Step 7 (Figure 20)

Workstation's 10 internal logic makes a request for data. That logic need not be aware the data is protected by cryptography. The request illustrated in the figure is a "read" request, but the handling of "write" requests are symmetric.

Step 8 (Figure 20)

Enciphered data 3' is then fetched from Media 2 or 4.

Step 9 (Figure 20)

Data Crypto 74 decipheres the data using the Media Key 42 and passes data 3 to the Access Control Logic 76.

Step 10 (Figure 20)

Access Control Logic 76 consults the Access Vector 52 and the Device Attributes 58 contained within itself and decides whether the desired mode of access ("read," "write," etc.) shall be permitted. If not, the data transfer is aborted and an error indication is sent to the Workstation 10.

At this point the data has been transferred to the Workstation 10 for processing. Removal of the Media 2 or 4 or the Personal Keying Device 30 from the Crypto Media Controller 26 will cause the complete reset of the Crypto Media Controller 26 and require the keying process be started from the beginning.

Trusted Path**Identification and Authorization**

This phase of the operation involves the steps whereby a user 5 presents his or her identity to the Security Server 24 and has that identity authenticated and a set of privileges associated with the user 5 at the Security Server 24.

This operation is protected against forged identities

and authentications, and so-called "replay" attacks in which malicious software in other Workstations 10 masquerades as the authentications mechanism, accepts identification and authorization data (such as passwords) from an unwitting user 5, and then passes that data to an unauthorized individual.

The operation is also protected against compromise of the authentication data in the Personal Keying Device 30. The invention uses the Countersign logic to effect this protection. It will be recalled that Countersigns 62 come in a sequence which is generated by the Security Server 24, but which is computationally infeasible for an outsider to guess. Thus, for each Countersign 62, the Security Server 24 (but no one else) can determine the value of Last Countersign 62'.

The Last Countersign 62' for a given is stored in a distinguished location in that user's Personal Keying Device 30. At each identification and authentication interaction the Last Countersign 62' is extracted from the Personal Keying Device 30 and compared with the Last Countersign 62' independently generated or retrieved by the Security Server 24. If the two values are unequal then it is known that the identification and authentication process has been compromised and suitable alarms are raised.

The manner in which this mechanism operates can be made clear from example. Assume that the sequence of Countersigns 62 is "A," "B," "C," etc. Further assume that a given user's Personal Keying Device 30 contains the Last Countersign 62' value "A". Since it is computationally infeasible for an attacker to guess this value, the attacker's recourse is to either steal the Personal Keying Device 30 or copy the data from it.

If the attacker steals the Personal Keying Device 30, then its absence will be noted and alarms will be raised. If the attacker copies the Last Countersign 62' and by some subterfuge succeeds in being authenticated as the legitimate user 5, then the identification and authentication process will update the Last Countersign 62' value in the spurious Personal Keying Device 30 to "B." When the legitimate user 5 attempts identification and authentication, the Last Countersign 62' in his or her Personal Keying Device 30 will still be at "A"; the difference will be noted by the Security Server 24 and alarms raised.

Thus, the copying and successful use of data from a Personal Keying Device 30 will enable a false identity to be presented to the Security Server 24 only until the time at which the legitimate user 5 attempts identification and authentication.

The steps involved in this phase of the operation are keyed to the diagrams given in Figure 21 through Figure 24. The logic used in data protection is omitted from these diagrams.

Step 1 (Figure 21)

The User UID 48, encrypted with the Enclave Key

(48') is extracted from the user's Personal Keying Device 30.

Step 2 (Figure 21)

The Last Countersign 62' (denoted "Old C/S" in Figure 21), encrypted with the Enclave Key 40, is extracted from the user's Personal Keying Device 30.

Step 3 (Figure 21)

The user 5 desiring access to operations on the Security Server 24 then enters his or her PIN 50 through the keyboard on the Personal Keying Device 30.

Step 4 (Figure 21)

The User UID 48' and Last Countersign 62' are decrypted, combined with the PIN 50, and re-encrypted with the Enclave Key 40 for transmission to the Security Server 24.

Step 5 (Figure 22)

The combined Last Countersign 62', PIN 50, and User UID 48 are decrypted using the Enclave Key 40 and passed to the storage search logic 72. That logic searches the User Attributes Data Base 80 for the authentication record belonging to this user 5, compares the User UID/PIN combination 92 that was entered against the stored value, and checks the Last Countersign 62' from the Personal Keying Device 30 against the stored value from the previous identification and authentication interaction. Based on these checks the logic computes a Result 94 (e.g., "Login Successful," "Login Failed") and in the case of successful identification, a set of privileges which that user may exercise in future interactions with the Security Server 24. Also in the case of successful identification, the next Countersign 62 in the sequence is generated, stored in the User Attribute Data Base 80 as the new Last Countersign 62' and saved for use in the next step. This value is denoted "New C/S" in the figures.

Step 6 (Figure 23)

The Result 94 and the updated Countersign 62 value is encrypted with the Enclave Key 40 and transmitted to the Crypto Media Controller 26.

Step 7 (Figure 24)

The combined Result and updated Countersign 62 is decrypted. The updated Countersign 62 is encrypted with the Enclave Key 40 and stored in the user's Personal Keying Device 30 as the new value of Last Countersign 62'. The Countersign and result are displayed on the display portion of the Personal Keying Device 30.

At this point, the user has been authenticated to the Security Server 24 and assigned a set of Privileges 95, which may be invoked at a later time. The Security Server 24 has also displayed to the user 5 the Countersign 62 that it will use in the session to authenticate itself to the user.

Privileged Services

This phase of the operation involves a user 5, whose identity has already been presented to and authenticated by the Security Server 24, invoking a privileged operation by that Server 24. The user is identified to the Security Server 24 by the User UID 48. The Security Server 24 is authenticated to the user by the Countersign 62.

The steps involved in this phase of the operation are keyed to the diagrams given in Figure 25 to Figure 28. The logic used in data protection is omitted from these diagrams.

Step 1 (Figure 25)

The user 5 signals his or her desire to invoke a privileged operation by an appropriate entry in the keyboard 34 of the Personal Keying Device 30. This entry is shown as "ATTN" in the Figures. The User UID 48 is then extracted from the Personal Keying Device 30.

Step 2 (Figure 25)

The combination of the "ATTN" signal and the User UID 48 is encrypted with the Enclave Key 40 and transmitted to the Security Server 24.

Step 3 (Figure 26)

The combination of the "ATTN" signal and the User UID 48 is decrypted using the Enclave Key 40.

Step 4 (Figure 26)

The User UID 48 is transferred to the Storage Search Logic 72 and the "ATTN" signal is transferred to the Privileged Operation Logic 73.

Step 5 (Figure 26)

The Storage Search Logic 72 then extracts the user's Privileges 95 from the User Attribute Data Base 80 and passes them to the Privileged Operation Logic 73.

Step 6 (Figure 27)

The Storage Search Logic 72 extracts the Countersign 62 from the User Attribute Data Base 80 and passes it to the Key Management Crypto 70, which encrypts it with the Enclave Key 40 and transmits it to the Crypto

Media Controller 26, which initiated the request.

Step 7 (Figure 28)

The Crypto Media Controller 26 decrypts the Countersign 62 and causes it to be displayed on the Personal Keying Device 30.

At this point, both the user and the Security Server 24 are aware, in authenticated fashion, that a privileged operation is to be invoked. The invocation of the operation, which may involve multiple interactions, can then proceed. The operation is terminated by a series of steps which is symmetric to those presented above.

An alternate, preferred embodiment of the Trusted Path is described further below, with reference to Figures 29 - 34. The Trusted Path phase of the Data Enclave process is preferably implemented using the relevant aspects of this alternate embodiment. These aspects include Identification and Authentication, Trusted Command Initiation (Privileged Services) and Key Management.

ADVANTAGES OVER PRIOR ART

The Data Enclave System of the present invention provides a number of advantages over the prior art, as outlined below.

Security

The data enclave invention offers comprehensive security to the data within the Enclave 20; there are no "sneak paths" or "holes" that exist in approaches where the data is protected on media but the Wide Area Network 16 connections are open, or vice versa.

The invention minimizes the damage that can be done by privileged individuals who become subverted. Cryptographic keys are transmitted and stored entirely in enciphered form. Well-known techniques (so-called "antitamper" technology) can be used to protect the Enclave Key when it is stored in the Crypto Media Controllers 26 and the Security Server 24. Theft of elements of the invention such as the Personal Keying Device 30 and the Crypto Media Controllers 26 does not compromise any part of the operation of the invention.

Low Cost

The invention uses a small number of special elements in a wide variety of ways. Maximum use is made of the cryptographic devices, which are typically the most expensive parts of a data security device. The same devices are used for media protection and authenticated interactions with the Security Server.

Ease of Use

Individuals desiring access to media have to deal

with the Security Server only when media is initialized. "Unlocking" a unit of media requires an operation no more complicated than using a TV remote control. Overhead and delay is concentrated at the time a media is "unlocked" and no delays or incompatibilities are introduced during operations using the media.

Identification and authentication of users to the Security Server 24 is both simpler and more robust than prior art such as passwords. The same basic steps are used for security operations dealing with media and dealing with the Security Server 24.

Exceptional or emergency situations can be accommodated. A trusted command initiation can override a security policy enforced by the Security Server 24 and release data to persons who would normally be unauthorized to access it.

Flexible Control of Media

In the data protection area, the system associates Media 2 or 4 primarily with users and secondarily with machines. This is a more natural structure than one where Media 2 or 4 is only useable on a single machine.

The access control logic, which computes allowed access at the last possible moment using the combination of an individual's Access Vector 52 and the Device Attributes 58 assigned to a particular Workstation, can be used to enforce a variety of security policies. For example, an individual's access to data may be restricted not only on the basis of the individual's attributes, but also to protected physical locations. Thus, an individual's Access Vector 52 may grant "read" access to a unit of media which contains proprietary engineering data, but the comparison against the Device Attributes 58 of the Crypto Media Controller 26 making the access may restrict display of the contents of the unit of media to those machines inside a particular facility or office. Physical security measures can then be used to restrict who may be in the vicinity when the data is displayed. Prior art in this area permits only an "all or nothing" approach to access.

Sharing and Backup of Media

An individual's access to an initialized media can be restored, or a second individual granted access, by bringing together the media, the requisite Personal Keying Device 30, and a Workstation 10 equipped with a Crypto Media Controller 26 that is keyed with the appropriate Enclave Key.

Positive Control of Privileged Operations

Remotely invoked privileged operations at the Security Server 24 are under the positive control of the user 5. That control is cryptographically protected and mutually authenticated.

ALTERNATE EMBODIMENT OF DATA ENCLAVE SYSTEM

An alternate embodiment of the Data Enclave System 20 is shown in Figs. 29, 30 and 31. Alternate embodiment 300 provides for operation of the Data Enclave System in a non-networked environment.

Data Elements

The data elements of the alternate embodiment 300 correspond to those described with reference to embodiment 20.

Processing Elements

Crypto Support Center

A Crypto Support Center 310 is provided for each organization or set of organizations. The Crypto Support Center 310 is used for archival storage and distribution of cryptographic keys. Crypto Support Center 310 is permanently installed in a secure area, and includes a Secure Computer 311 and a Communications Security Device 312. Secure Computer 311 may be of generally the same design as Security Server 24 as described and illustrated with reference to embodiment 20. However, there is no requirement that the Secure Computer 311 be networked to the work stations 340 within the organization.

Local Crypto Support Device

There is at least one local Crypto Support Device 320 for each organization. Each local Crypto Support Device 320 is portable, for example, lap-top computer size. Preferably, local Crypto Support Devices 320 are equipped with theft detection circuitry, such as that used to deter shoplifting. Local Crypto Support Devices 320 are used in key distribution and are equipped with a Communications Security Device 322 that is compatible with the Communication Device 312 in Crypto Support Center 310. Local Crypto Support Device 320 includes a Key Management Crypto 324 which functions substantially the same as the Key Management Crypto 70 described with reference to the embodiment 20 of the data enclave system, insofar as media initialization, key generation and key assignment are concerned. Crypto Support Devices 320 further include a disk drive 326, which may be used to read and write removable media 302, and a data interface 328, which may be coupled to a Crypto Media Controller in a Workstation 340. The interface can either be wired or wireless (for example, radio infra-red).

Personal Keying Device

Each user is issued a Personal Keying Device 330

of the same design as Personal Keying Device 30 described above with reference to embodiment 20 of the Data Enclave System. Personal Keying Device 330 is used for key insertion and individual authentication. Personal Keying Device 330 includes electronic storage 331, a key pad, a display and a Data Transfer Interface 332, which is compatible with the Data Transfer Interface in the local Crypto support device 320. Personal Keying Devices 330 may also be equipped with theft detection circuitry.

Crypto Media Controller

Each work station 340 operating within the enclave 300 includes a Crypto Media Controller 342 of the same design as Crypto Media Controller 26, with the exception that Crypto Media Controller 342 does not include logic and functions for media initialization and key generation, or key assignment for already initialized media. Crypto Media Controller 342 further includes a Data Interface 344 compatible with Data Interface 328 in the Local Crypto Support Device 320.

OPERATION OF ALTERNATE EMBODIMENT 300

Alternate embodiment 300 is similar in many respects to embodiment 20, except that Local Crypto Support Device 320 and Crypto Support Center 310 perform certain functions performed by Crypto Media Controller 26 and Security Server 24, respectively, embodiment 20. Namely, those functions described in Steps 1 - 13 of the Media Initialization and Key Generation and the Key Assignment process (for initialized media) Steps 1 - 14 of embodiment 20. In addition, the Local Area Network 12 link used in embodiment 20 is replaced with the secure connection established between Communications Security Devices 312 and 322 in the Local Crypto Support Device 320 and Crypto Support Center 310.

Media Initialization and Key Assignment

The following description of the media initialization and key assignment operation refers to Figs. 30 and 31.

An individual brings together a blank unit of physical media 302, his or her Personal Keying Device 330, and the appropriate Local Crypto Support Device 320. If the media is fixed, Personal Keying Device 330 and local Crypto support device 320 are brought to the Workstation 340 containing the fixed media 302. As shown in Fig. 30, data interfaces are then established between Personal Keying Device 330 and Local Crypto Support Device 320 on the one hand and in between Local Crypto Support Device 320 and the Crypto Media Controller 342 for the fixed media on the other. Once these interfaces are established, a secure link is made between Local Crypto Support Device 320 and Crypto Support Center 310 using the Communication Security Devices 312 and 322. The Trusted Path Protocol of the present

invention may be used to establish a secure link.

If the media 302 is removable, the media 302 is brought to the Local Crypto Support Device 320, where it can be read and written using Disk Drive 326. This configuration is shown in Figure 31.

The individual desiring access to Media 302 then enters his or her PIN 58 into Personal Keying Device 330 which transmits it to Local Crypto Support Device 320. Local Crypto Support Device 320 extracts the encrypted User UID 56 from Personal Keying Device 330 and decrypts it using the Enclave Key 50.

Local Crypto Support Device 320 then initiates a secure connection to the Crypto Support Center 310 and transmits the User UID 56 to it.

Local Crypto Support Device 320 and the Crypto Support Center 310, with the optional aid of authorized individuals, generate a Media UID 54, Media Key 52, and Access Vector 60 for use of the media 302. At the end of this process, the Media UID 54, Media Key 52, User UID 56, and Access Vector 60 are archived together at the Crypto Support Center 310 and stored temporarily in Local Crypto Support Device 320.

Local Crypto Support Device 320 then writes the Media UID 54 to an appropriate location on Media 302 (e.g., Volume Label). It combines the User UID 56, Enclave Key 50, and PIN 58 to form a key with which it enciphers the Media Key/Access Vector pair 62. It uses the Media UID 54 to index storage 332 of Personal Keying Device 330 and stores the enciphered pair 62 in the appropriate location.

At this point, the initialization is complete. Media 302 can be identified and the individual's Personal Keying Device 330 contains a Media Key 52 which can only be used by an individual who has physical possession of that Personal Keying Device 330, knows that individual's PIN 50, and has Media 302 controlled by a Crypto Media Controller 342, containing the Enclave Key.

Keying of Devices

An individual establishes a data transfer interface between his or her Personal Keying Device 330 and any Crypto Media Controller 342 containing the Enclave Key, and between that Crypto Media Controller 342 and the Media 302 the individual desires to access. If the media 302 is removable, this will involve placing the unit of media 302 into the appropriate device (e.g. diskette drive) or the Workstation 340. From this point on, the alternate embodiment 300 operates in the same manner as the first described Data Enclave embodiment 20, as set forth in Steps 1-10 under the heading "Keying of Devices."

Key Assignment for Already Initialized Media

Key assignment is performed in substantially the same fashion as Media Initialization and Key Generation, insofar as the configuration and interaction of the

Personal Keying Device 330, Workstation 340, Local Crypto Support Device 330 and Support Center 310 interact to generate a Media Key/Access Vector pair 91 for the already initialized media 302 by reference to the archived Media Key 42 for the media.

The present invention is to be limited only in accordance with the scope of the appended claims, since others skilled in the art may devise other embodiments still within the limits of the claims. The above-described detailed architectures are not meant to be limiting, and other equivalent forms may be substituted if desired.

Claims

1. A data enclave (20) for securing data carried on physical units of fixed (2) and removable (4) media, the data enclave (20) including a security server (24) connected over a network (42) to one or more workstations (10), wherein each workstation (10) includes a crypto media controller (26) used to read one of said physical units of media (2,4), the data enclave further comprising:

an enclave key (40) used to encrypt data transmitted within the data enclave (20), wherein a copy of the enclave key (40) is stored in the security server (24) and the workstations (10); a personal keying device (30) for each user in the data enclave (20);

a personal identification number (PIN) (50) and a user unique identifier (user UID) (48) assigned to each user in the enclave (20), wherein each user UID (48) is encrypted with the enclave key and stored in the personal keying device (30) of the user associated with the user UID;

a set of user attributes (56) provided for each user, wherein each set of user attributes (56) represents user privileges and other security related information pertaining to a particular user and wherein each set of user attributes (56) is associated with the user UID (48) of its respective user;

a media key (42) for each physical unit of media (2,4), wherein the media key (42) is used to encrypt and protect data carried on the media; a media unique identifier (media UID) (46) for each physical unit of media (2,4); and

a set of media attributes (54) provided for each physical unit of media (2,4), wherein each set of media attributes (54) represents sensitivity or other security related information pertaining to data carried on a particular unit of media and wherein each set of media attributes (54) is associated with the media UID (46) of its respective physical unit of media (2,4); characterised in that

the security server (24) comprises:

security policy logic (86) for computing, from the set of user attributes assigned to a particular user (5) and the set of media attributes assigned to a particular unit of media (2,4), an access vector (52) which defines limits on access by the particular user (5) to the particular unit of media (2,4); and

a key management crypto (70) for combining the access vector (52) and the media key (42) assigned to the particular unit of media (2,4) to form a media key/access vector pair (91) and for enciphering the media key/access vector pair (91) with a combined key formed from the enclave key (40) and the user UID (48) and PIN (50) of the particular user (5);

wherein the personal keying device (30) comprises means (78) for storing the enciphered media key/access vector pair (91); and

wherein the crypto media controller (26) comprises means (70, 72, 76) for controlling access to data on the particular unit of media (2,4) as a function of the PIN (50) of the particular user (5), the media UID (46) of the particular physical unit of media (2,4) and the media key/access vector pair (91) retrieved from the personal keying device (30) of the particular user (5).

2. A data enclave method for securing data carried on physical units of fixed (2) and removable (4) media in a data enclave (20) including a security server (24) connected over a network (12) to one or more workstations (10), wherein each workstation (10) includes a crypto media controller (26) used to read one of said physical units of media (2,4), the method comprising the steps of:

providing an enclave key (40) used to encrypt data transmitted within the data enclave (20); storing a copy of the enclave key (40) in the security server (24) and the workstations (10); providing a personal keying device (30) for each user in the data enclave (20);

assigning a personal identification number (PIN) (50) and a user unique identifier (user UID) (48) to each user in the enclave (20); assigning a set of user attributes (56) for each user, wherein each set of user attributes (56) represents user privileges and other security related information pertaining to a particular user;

associating each set of user attributes (56) with the user UID (48) of its respective user;

encrypting each user UID (48) with the enclave key and storing each encrypted user UID (48') in the personal keying device (30) of the user associated with the user UID (48);

assigning a media key (42) and a media unique identifier (media UID) (46) for each physical unit of media (2,4), wherein the media key (42) is used to encrypt and protect data carried on the media;

assigning a set of media attributes (54) for each physical unit of media (2,4), wherein each set of media attributes (54) represents sensitivity or other security related information pertaining to data carried on a particular unit of media; and associating each set of media attributes (54) with the media UID (46) of its respective physical unit of media (2,4); and characterised by computing, from the set of user attributes assigned to a particular user (5) and the set of media attributes assigned to a particular unit of media (2,4), an access vector (52) which defines limits on access by the particular user (5) to the particular unit of media (2,4);

combining the access vector (52) and the media key (42) assigned to the particular unit of media (2,4) to form a media key/access vector pair (91);

enciphering the media key/access vector pair (91) with a combined key formed from the enclave key (40) and the user UID (48) and PIN (50) of the particular user (5); and storing the enciphered media key/access vector pair (91) in the personal keying device (30) of the particular user (5); and

controlling access to data on the particular unit of media (2,4) as a function of the PIN (50) of the particular user (5), the media UID (46) of the particular physical unit of media (2,4) and the media key/access vector pair (91) retrieved from the personal keying device (30) of the particular user (5).

3. A method according to claim 2 wherein the method further comprises the step of providing device attributes for each workstation (10), the device attributes representing security attributes of the workstations (10), and wherein the step of controlling access comprises the steps of:

determining the workstation (10) being used by the particular user (5);

retrieving the device attributes (58) associated with the workstation (10) being used by the particular user (5);

extracting the access vector (52) from the encrypted media key/access vector pair (91) retrieved from the personal keying device (30) of the particular user (5); and

combining the retrieved device attributes (58) with the extracted access vector (52) to determine access rights by the particular user (5) on the particular workstation (10).

4. A method according to claim 2 wherein the method further comprises the steps of:

(a) providing key management crypto logic in each crypto media controller for (i) receiving a requesting user's PIN from a personal keying device (ii) receiving an encrypted user UID from the personal keying device and decrypting the user UID using the enclave key, and (iii) forming a first packet including the requesting user's PIN, the user UID and a request for initialization of a new unit of media, the request including the media attributes for the new unit of media;

(b) providing key management crypto logic in the server for decrypting the first packet using the enclave key stored in the server,

(c) providing storage search logic in the server for (i) reading a user attribute data base stored in the server using the user UID as an index, (ii) returning a pass value if the requesting user's PIN received in the first packet matches a valid PIN stored in the user attribute data base,

(iii) aborting the request for initialization if the requesting user's PIN is not valid, (iv) extracting the media attributes from the request and commanding a media attribute data base stored in the server to make an entry for the new unit of media, and to create a new media UID for the new unit of media, and (v) indexing the user attribute data base with the user UID to extract the set of security attributes pertaining to the requesting user and passing the security attributes to security policy logic in the server;

(d) the security policy logic accepting the media attributes and the requesting user's security attributes and, using a set of rules and/or under the direction of a system administrator, computing a new access vector which defines limits on the access the requesting user will have to the new unit of media;

(e) the key management crypto in the server also (i) generating, with the optional aid of a system administrator, a new media key for the new unit of media, and (ii) enciphering the new media key/access vector pair formed with the new media key and the new access vector with a combined key including the user UID, the user PIN and the enclave key, to form a second packet;

(f) the storage search logic also storing the enciphered second packet in a crypto key data base stored in the server, the second packet indexed according to the requesting user's user

UID and the new media UID;

(g) providing further logic for sending the new media UID and the second packet to the Workstation from which the first packet was received; and

(h) providing storage search logic in the crypto media controller for (i) receiving the new media UID and writing it to an appropriate location on the new unit of media and (ii) storing the second packet containing the new media key/ access vector pair in the personal keying device attached to the Workstation using the new media UID as an index

5. A method according to claim 2 further comprising the steps of:

(a) providing key management crypto logic in each crypto media controller for (i) receiving a requesting user's PIN from a personal keying device, (ii) receiving an encrypted user UID from the personal keying device and decrypting the user UID using the enclave key, and (iii) reading the media UID off an initialized unit of media and searching the personal keying device for a media key/access vector pair for the initialized unit of media for the requesting user using the user's PIN as an index, and (iv) if no pair is found generating a request for a key assignment;

(b) the key management crypto logic in the workstations further (i) forming the first packet including the requesting user's PIN and user UID, the media UID for the initialized unit of media, and the request for key assignment, (ii) encrypting the first packet with the enclave key, and (iii) sending the packet to the security server over the network;

(c) providing key management crypto logic in the server for decrypting the first packet using the enclave key stored in the server to obtain the requesting user's PIN and user UID, and the media UID and the request;

(d) providing storage search logic in the security server for (i) reading a user attribute data base stored in the server using the user UID as an index, (ii) returning a pass value if the requesting user's PIN received in the first packet matches a valid PIN stored in the user attribute data base, (iii) aborting the request for initialization set forth in the first packet if the requesting user's PIN is not valid, (iv) reading the user attribute data base using the user's PIN as an index and extracting the security attributes of the requesting user, and (v) passing the security attributes to security policy logic in the server;

(e) the security policy logic receiving the secu-

rity attributes and computing a new access vector which defines limits on the access the user may have to the initialized unit of media, the new access vector computed using a set of rules and/or with the intervention of a system administrator;

(f) the storage search logic also (i) finding an enciphered key packet in a crypto key data base held in the security server which has been previously stored and which contains the media key for the initialized unit of media, (ii) when a packet is found extracting the media key from it, and (iii) forming a new media key/access vector pair with the extracted media key and the new access vector, and a new key packet including the new media key/access vector pair, the user UID, and the media UID, and placing the new key packet in the crypto key data base for archival purposes;

(g) the crypto key logic also enciphering the new media key/access vector pair with a combined key including the user UID, the user's PIN, and the enclave key, and transmitting the enciphered packet along the network to the crypto media controller; and

(h) the crypto media controller using the media UID as an index to store the new media key/ access vector pair in the personal keying device from which the user's PIN was entered whereby the personal keying device contains a media key which can only be used by someone who has physical possession of that personal keying device, knows the user PIN associated with the media key, and has physical possession of the unit of media controlled by a crypto media controller containing the enclave key, the access of the user further being restricted by the access vector paired with the media key.

6. A method according to claim 2, further comprising the steps of:

(a) the crypto media controller also (i) receiving a user PIN from a personal keying device from a user seeking access to an initialized unit of media under control of the crypto media controller;

(b) providing storage search logic in the crypto media controller for (i) reading the initialized unit of media and extracting the media UID, (ii) searching the storage in the personal keying device and extracting the enciphered media key/access vector pair for the media UID and passing it to a key management crypto in the crypto media controller;

(c) the key management crypto (i) fetching the user UID from the personal keying device and deciphering it using the enclave key, (ii) com-

binning the user UID, the user PIN, and the enclave key to form a combined key to decrypt the media key/access vector pair, and passing the extracted media key to a data crypto and the access vector to the access control logic; 5
 (d) the data crypto deciphering data on a unit of media using the media key and passing it to the access control logic, the data deciphered in response to a read or write request for the data by the Workstation; 10
 (e) the access control logic controlling whether the desired mode of access is permitted based on the access vector and the device attributes contained within the crypto media controller, and aborting the attempted access to the data if the access is not permitted and otherwise permitting the access whereby data is transferred to a Workstation for procession; and 15
 (f) providing logic in the crypto media controller for causing a complete reset of the crypto media controller and requiring the keying process to be started from the beginning in the event that the personal keying device is uncoupled or the unit of media is removed from the Workstation. 20
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Patentansprüche

1. Datenenklave (20) zum Absichern von Daten, die sich auf physikalischen Einheiten, bestehend aus nicht entfernbaren (2) und entfernbaren (4) Medien, befinden, wobei die Datenenklave (20) eine Sicherheitsdiensteinrichtung (Server) (24) umfaßt, die mittels eines Netzwerkes (12) mit einem oder mehreren Arbeitsplatzrechnern (10) verbunden ist, wobei jeder Arbeitsplatzrechner (10) eine Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit (26) umfaßt, die eingesetzt ist, um eine der physikalischen Medieneinheiten (2, 4) zu lesen, wobei die Datenenklave (20) weiterhin umfaßt: 30
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einen Enklavenschlüssel (40), der zum Verschlüsseln von Daten eingesetzt ist, die innerhalb der Datenenklave (20) übertragen werden, wobei eine Kopie des Enklavenschlüssels (40) in der Sicherheitsdiensteinrichtung (24) und in den Arbeitsplatzrechnern (10) gespeichert ist; 45
 einen persönlichen Schlüssel (30) für jeden Benutzer innerhalb der Datenenklave (20); 50
 eine persönliche Identifikationsnummer (PIN) (50) und eine für jeden Benutzer einmalige Identifizierung (Benutzer-UID) (48), die jedem Benutzer innerhalb der Datenenklave (20) zugewiesen ist, wobei jede Benutzer-UID (48) mittels des Enklavenschlüssels (40) verschlüsselt ist und in dem persönlichen Schlüssel (30) 55

des Benutzers gespeichert ist, der zu dieser Benutzer-UID (48) zugehörig ist;
 eine Reihe von Benutzer-Attributen (56), die für jeden Benutzer vorgesehen sind, wobei jede Reihe von Benutzer-Attributen (56) Benutzer-Privilegien und andere sicherheitsrelevante Informationen darstellt, die einem einzelnen Benutzer zuzuordnen sind und wobei jede Reihe von Benutzer-Attributen (56) der Benutzer-UID (48) des jeweiligen Benutzers zugeordnet ist; einen Medienschlüssel (42) für jede physikalische Einheit (2, 4) von Medien, wobei der Medienschlüssel (42) eingesetzt ist, um die Daten zu verschlüsseln und zu schützen, die sich auf den Medien befinden;
 eine für jedes Medium einmalige Identifizierung (Medien-UID) (46) für jede physikalische Medien-Einheit (2, 4); und
 eine Reihe von Medien-Attributen (54), die für jede physikalische Medien-Einheit (2, 4) vorgesehen ist, wobei jede Reihe von Medien-Attributen (54) die Sensitivität oder andere sicherheitsrelevante Informationen darstellt, die Daten zuzuordnen sind, die sich auf einer einzelnen Medieneinheit befinden und wobei jede Reihe von Medien-Attributen (54) der Medien-UID (46) der zugehörigen physikalischen Medieneinheit (2, 4) zugeordnet ist, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, daß** die Sicherheitsdiensteinrichtung (24) umfaßt:
 eine Sicherheitsleitlogik (86) zur Berechnung eines Zugangsvektors (52), der die Beschränkungen eines Zugriffs des einzelnen Benutzers (5) auf eine bestimmte Medieneinheit (2, 4) definiert, wobei die Berechnung mittels der Reihe von Benutzer-Attributen, die einem bestimmten Benutzer (5) zugeordnet sind sowie der Reihe von Medien-Attributen erfolgt, die einer bestimmten Medieneinheit (2, 4) zugeordnet sind; und
 eine Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsselungseinrichtung (70) zum Kombinieren des Zugangsvektors (52) und des Medienschlüssels (42), der einer bestimmten Medieneinheit (2, 4) zugeordnet ist, um ein Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar (91) zu erhalten sowie zur Verschlüsselung des Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paares (91) mit einem zusammengesetzten Schlüssel, der aus dem Enklavenschlüssel (40), der Benutzer-UID (48) und der PIN (50) des bestimmten Benutzers (5) gebildet ist;
 wobei der persönliche Schlüssel (30) Mittel (78) zum Speichern des verschlüsselten Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paares (91) aufweist; und
 wobei die Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit (26) Mittel (70, 72, 76) zur Steuerung des

Zugriffes auf Daten umfaßt, die sich auf der bestimmten Medieneinheit (2, 4) befinden, wobei diese Steuerung als Funktion der PIN (50) des bestimmten Benutzers (5), der Medien-UID (46) der bestimmten physikalischen Medien-

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2. Verfahren zur Verschlüsselung von Daten in einer Datenenklave, wobei sich die Daten auf physikalischen Einheiten, bestehend aus nicht entfernbaren (2) und entfernbaren (4) Medien innerhalb der Datenenklave (20), befinden, wobei die Datenenklave (20) eine Sicherheitsdiensteinrichtung (Server) (24) umfaßt, die mittels eines Netzwerkes (12) mit einem oder mehreren Arbeitsplatzrechnern (10) verbunden ist, wobei jeder Arbeitsplatzrechner (10) eine Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit (26) um-

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Vorsehen eines Enklavenschlüssels (40), der zum Verschlüsseln von Daten eingesetzt ist, die innerhalb der Datenenklave (20) übertragen werden;

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Speichern einer Kopie des Enklavenschlüssels (40) in der Sicherheitsdiensteinrichtung (24) und in den Arbeitsplatzrechnern (10);

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Vorsehen eines persönlichen Schlüssels (30) für jeden Benutzer innerhalb der Datenenklave (20);

Zuordnen einer persönlichen Identifikationsnummer (PIN) (50) und einer für jeden Benutzer einmaligen Identifizierung (Benutzer-UID) (48), an jeden Benutzer innerhalb der Datenenklave (20);

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Zuordnen einer Reihe von Benutzer-Attributen (56) zu jedem Benutzer, wobei jede Reihe von Benutzer-Attributen (56) Benutzer-Privilegien und andere sicherheitsrelevante Informationen darstellt, die einem einzelnen Benutzer zugeordnet sind;

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Zuordnen jeder Reihe von Benutzer-Attributen (56) zu der Benutzer-UID (48) des jeweiligen Benutzers;

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Verschlüsseln jeder Benutzer-UID (48) mittels des Enklavenschlüssels (40) und Speichern jeder verschlüsselten Benutzer-UID (48) in dem persönlichen Schlüssel (30) des Benutzers, der zu dieser Benutzer-UID (48) zugehörig ist;

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Zuordnen eines Medienschlüssels (42) und einer für jedes Medium einmaligen Identifizierung (Medien-UID) (46) zu jeder physikalischen Medieneinheit (2, 4), wobei der Medienschlüssel (42) eingesetzt ist, um die Daten zu ver-

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schlüsseln und zu schützen, die sich auf den Medien befinden;

Zuordnen einer Reihe von Medien-Attributen (54) zu jeder physikalischen Medieneinheit (2, 4), wobei jede Reihe von Medien-Attributen (54) die Sensitivität oder andere sicherheitsrelevante Informationen darstellt, die Daten zuzuordnen sind, die sich auf einer bestimmten Medieneinheit (2, 4) befinden; und

Zuordnen jeder Reihe von Medien-Attributen (54) zu der Medien-UID (46) der jeweils zugehörigen physikalischen Medieneinheit (2, 4), **gekennzeichnet durch**

das Berechnen eines Zugangsvektors (52), der die Beschränkungen eines Zugriffs des einzelnen, bestimmten Benutzers (5) auf eine bestimmte Medieneinheit (2, 4) definiert, wobei die Berechnung mittels der Reihe von Benutzer-Attributen, die einem bestimmten Benutzer (5) zugeordnet sind sowie der Reihe von Medien-Attributen erfolgt, die einer bestimmten Medieneinheit (2, 4) zugeordnet sind;

das Kombinieren des Zugangsvektors (52) und des Medienschlüssels (42), der einer bestimmten Medieneinheit (2, 4) zugeordnet ist, um ein Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar (91) zu erhalten;

das Verschlüsseln des Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paares (91) mit einem kombinierten Schlüssel, der aus dem Enklavenschlüssel (40), der Benutzer-UID (48) und der PIN (50) des bestimmten Benutzers (5) gebildet ist; und das Speichern des verschlüsselten Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paares (91) in dem persönlichen Schlüssel (30) des bestimmten Benutzers (5); und

das Steuern des Zugriffs auf Daten, die sich auf der bestimmten Medieneinheit (2, 4) befinden, wobei diese Steuerung als Funktion der PIN (50) des bestimmten Benutzers (5), der Medien-UID (46) der bestimmten physikalischen Medieneinheit (2, 4) und des Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paares (91), der aus dem persönlichen Schlüssel (30) des bestimmten Benutzers (5) erhalten wird, ausgeführt ist.

3. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, wobei das Verfahren darüber hinaus die folgenden Schritte aufweist:

Vorsehen von Geräte-Attributen für jeden Arbeitsplatzrechner (10), wobei die Geräte-Attribute Sicherheitsattribute der Arbeitsplatzrechner (10) darstellen, und wobei der Schritt des Steuerns des Zugriffs die folgenden Schritte umfaßt:

Feststellen des Arbeitsplatzrechners (10), der von dem bestimmten Benutzer (5) benutzt wird; Laden der Geräte-Attribute (58), die dem Ar-

beitsplatzrechner (10) zugeordnet sind, der von dem bestimmten Benutzer (5) benutzt wird; Extrahieren des Zugangsvektors (52) aus dem verschlüsselten Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar (91), das aus dem persönlichen Schlüssel (30) des bestimmten Benutzers (5) erhalten wird; und
Kombinieren der geladenen Geräte-Attribute (58) mit dem extrahierten Zugangsvektor (52), um die Zugriffsrechte des bestimmten Benutzers (5) an einem bestimmten Arbeitsplatzrechner (10) festzulegen.

4. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, wobei das Verfahren weiterhin die folgenden Schritte umfaßt:

(a) Vorsehen einer Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsselungslogik in jeder Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit zum (i) Erhalten einer anfordernden Benutzer-PIN aus dem persönlichen Schlüssel, (ii) zum Erhalten einer verschlüsselten Benutzer-UID aus dem persönlichen Schlüssel und zum Entschlüsseln der Benutzer-UID unter Einsatz des Enklavenschlüssels, und (iii) zum Erzeugen eines ersten Pakets, welches die anfordernde Benutzer-PIN, die Benutzer-UID und eine Anweisung zur Initialisierung einer neuen Medieneinheit umfaßt, wobei die Anweisung die Medien-Attribute für die neue Medieneinheit aufweist;
(b) Vorsehen der Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsselungslogik in dem Server, zur Entschlüsselung des ersten Pakets unter Einsatz des Enklavenschlüssels, der in dem Server gespeichert ist;
(c) Vorsehen einer Speicherdurchsuchlogik in dem Server, zum (i) Lesen einer Benutzer-Attribut-Datenbank, die in dem Server abgespeichert ist, unter Verwendung der Benutzer-UID als Index, (ii) zum Zurückgeben eines Weitergabewertes, falls die anfordernde Benutzer-PIN, die mit dem ersten Paket erhalten wird, mit einer gültigen PIN übereinstimmt, die in der Benutzer-Attribut-Datenbank gespeichert ist, (iii) zum Abbrechen der Anforderung zur Initialisierung, falls die anfordernde Benutzer-PIN nicht gültig ist, (iv) zum Extrahieren der Medien-Attribute aus der Anforderung und zum Anweisen einer Medien-Attribut-Datenbank, die in dem Server abgespeichert ist, einen neuen Eintrag für die neue Medieneinheit vorzunehmen, sowie zum Erzeugen einer neuen Medien-UID für die neue Medieneinheit, und (v) zum Indizieren der Benutzer-Attribut-Datenbank mittels der Benutzer-UID, um die Reihe von Sicherheits-Attributen zu extrahieren, die dem anfordernden Benutzer zuzuordnen sind sowie zur Weitergabe der Sicherheits-Attribute zu der Sicher-

heitsleitlogik in dem Server;

(d) wobei die Sicherheitsleitlogik, die die Medien-Attribute und die Sicherheits-Attribute des anfordernden Benutzers empfängt sowie einen Satz von Regeln verwendet und/oder unter der Leitung eines Systemverwalters arbeitet, einen neuen Zugangsvektor errechnet, der die Beschränkungen beim Zugriff des anfordernden Benutzers festlegt, die dieser auf die neue Medieneinheit hat;

(e) wobei die Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsselungslogik in dem Server ebenso (i) einen neuen Medienschlüssel, eventuell mit Hilfe eines Systemverwalters, für die neue Medieneinheit erzeugt, und (ii) das neue Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar verschlüsselt, welches mit dem neuen Medienschlüssel und dem neuen Zugangsvektor mittels eines kombinierten Schlüssels erzeugt ist, der die Benutzer-UID, die Benutzer-PIN und den Enklavenschlüssel umfaßt, um ein zweites Paket zu erzeugen;

(f) wobei die Speicherdurchsuchlogik ebenso das verschlüsselte zweite Paket in einer Verschlüsselungs-Schlüssel-Datenbank speichert, die in dem Server abgespeichert ist, wobei das zweite Paket in Übereinstimmung mit der Benutzer-UID des anfordernden Benutzers und der neuen Medien-UID indiziert ist;

(g) wobei weiterhin eine Logik vorgesehen ist, um die neue Medien-UID und das zweite Paket zu dem Arbeitsplatzrechner zu schicken, von dem das erste Paket erhalten worden ist; und

(h) wobei eine Speicherdurchsuchlogik in der Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit vorgesehen ist, um (i) die neue Medien-UID zu empfangen und um diese an einer geeigneten Position auf die neue Medieneinheit zu schreiben, sowie (ii) zum Abspeichern des zweiten Pakets, welches das neue Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar enthält, in dem persönlichen Schlüssel, der an dem Arbeitsplatzrechner angebracht ist, indem die neue Medien-UID als ein Index verwendet wird.

5. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, weiterhin mit den Schritten:

(a) Vorsehen einer Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsselungslogik in jeder Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit zum (i) Erhalten einer anfordernden Benutzer-PIN aus dem persönlichen Schlüssel, (ii) zum Erhalten einer verschlüsselten Benutzer-UID aus dem persönlichen Schlüssel und zum Entschlüsseln der Benutzer-UID unter Einsatz des Enklavenschlüssels, und (iii) zum Lesen der Medien-UID aus einer initialisierten Medieneinheit und zum

Durchsuchen des persönlichen Schlüssels nach einem Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar für die initialisierte Medieneinheit des anfordernden Benutzers, indem die Benutzer-PIN als ein Index eingesetzt wird, und (iv), falls kein Paar gefunden wird, zur Erzeugung einer Anforderung für eine Zuordnung eines Schlüssels;

(b) wobei die Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsselungslogik in den Arbeitsplatzrechnern weiterhin (i) ein erstes Paket erzeugt, welches die anfordernde Benutzer-PIN und die Benutzer-UID, die Medien-UID zur Initialisierung der Medien-einheit, und eine Anweisung zur Zuordnung eines Schlüssels umfaßt, sowie (ii) zur Verschlüsselung des ersten Pakets mittels des Enklavenschlüssels eingesetzt ist, und (iii) zum Versenden des Pakets zu dem Sicherheits-Server, über das Netzwerk, dient;

(c) Vorsehen der Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsselungslogik in dem Server, zur Entschlüsselung des ersten Pakets unter Einsatz des Enklavenschlüssels, der in dem Server gespeichert ist, um die anfordernde Benutzer-PIN und Benutzer-UID, die Medien-UID und die Anforderung zu erhalten;

(d) Vorsehen einer Speicherdurchsuchlogik in dem Sicherheits-Server, zum (i) Lesen einer Benutzer-Attribut-Datenbank, die in dem Server abgespeichert ist, unter Verwendung der Benutzer-UID als Index, (ii) zum Zurückgeben eines Weitergabewertes, falls die angeforderte Benutzer-PIN, die mit dem ersten Paket erhalten wird, mit einer gültigen PIN übereinstimmt, die in der Benutzer-Attribut-Datenbank gespeichert ist, (iii) zum Abbrechen der Anforderung zur Initialisierung, die in dem ersten Paket enthalten ist, falls die anfordernde Benutzer-PIN nicht gültig ist, (iv) Auslesen der Benutzer-Attribute-Datenbank, unter Verwendung der Benutzer-PIN als Index und Extrahieren der Sicherheits-Attribute des anfordernden Benutzers, und (v) Weitergabe der Sicherheits-Attribute zu der Sicherheitsleitlogik in dem Server;

(e) wobei die Sicherheitsleitlogik, die die Sicherheits-Attribute empfängt und die einen neuen Zugangsvektor errechnet, der die Beschränkungen beim Zugriff des anfordernden Benutzers festlegt, die dieser auf die neue Medieneinheit hat, den neuen Zugangsvektor errechnet, indem eine Reihe von Regeln verwendet wird und/oder unter Eingriff eines Systemverwalters erfolgt;

(f) wobei die Speicherdurchsuchlogik ebenso (i) ein verschlüsseltes Schlüsselpaket in einer Verschlüsselungs-Schlüssel-Datenbank findet, die in dem Sicherheits-Server vorhanden ist, und die vorher abgespeichert worden ist

und die den Medienschlüssel für die initialisierte Medieneinheit enthält, und (ii), falls ein Paket gefunden ist, daraus den Medienschlüssel extrahiert, und (iii) ein neues Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar erzeugt, nämlich mittels des extrahierten Medienschlüssels und des neuen Zugangsvektors, sowie ein neues Schlüsselpaket erzeugt, welches das neue Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar, die Benutzer-UID und die Medien-UID umfaßt sowie sie das neue Schlüsselpaket in der Verschlüsselungs-Schlüssel-Datenbank zu Zwecken einer Archivierung ablegt;

(g) wobei die Verschlüsselungslogik ebenso das neue Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar mit einem kombinierten Schlüssel verschlüsselt, der die Benutzer-UID, die Benutzer-PIN und den Enklavenschlüssel umfaßt, sowie sie das verschlüsselte Paket über das Netzwerk zu der Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit versendet; und

(h) wobei die Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit, die die Medien-UID als Index verwendet, um das neue Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar in dem persönlichen Schlüssel zu speichern, von dem die Benutzer-PIN eingegeben worden ist, wobei der persönliche Schlüssel einen Medienschlüssel enthält, der nur von einer Person eingesetzt werden kann, die in tatsächlichem Besitz des persönlichen Schlüssels ist, die Benutzer-PIN kennt, die dem Medienschlüssel zugeordnet ist, und wobei die Person die Medieneinheit tatsächlich besitzt, die durch eine Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit gesteuert ist, die den Enklavenschlüssel enthält, wobei der Zugriff des Benutzers weiter eingeschränkt wird, nämlich durch eine Kombination des Zugangsvektors und des Medienschlüssels.

6. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, weiterhin mit den Schritten:

- (a) Empfangen einer Benutzer-PIN durch die Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit, von einem persönlichen Schlüssel eines Benutzers, der den Zugang zu einem initialisierten Medium sucht, und zwar unter der Kontrolle der Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit;
- (b) Vorsehen einer Speicherdurchsuchlogik in der Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit, zum (i) Lesen des initialisierten Mediums und zum Extrahieren der Medien-UID, (ii) zum Durchsuchen des Speichers in dem persönlichen Schlüssel und zum Extrahieren des verschlüsselten Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paares der Medien-UID und zum Weitergeben an eine Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsse-

lungseinrichtung in der Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit;

(c) wobei die Schlüsselverarbeitungs-Verschlüsselungseinrichtung (i) die Benutzer-UID dem persönlichen Schlüssel entnimmt und diesen entschlüsselt, indem sie den Enklavenschlüssel verwendet, (ii) die Benutzer-UID, die Benutzer-PIN und den Enklavenschlüssel kombiniert, um einen zusammengesetzten Schlüssel zu bilden, um das Medienschlüssel/Zugangsvektor-Paar zu entschlüsseln, sowie um den extrahierten Medienschlüssel an die Datenverschlüsselungseinrichtung zurück zu geben und den Zugangsvektor an die Zugriffssteuerlogik weiterzugeben;

(d) wobei die Datenverschlüsselungseinrichtung die Daten auf einer Medieneinheit entschlüsselt, indem sie den Medienschlüssel einsetzt und an die Zugriffssteuerlogik weitergibt, wobei die Daten entschlüsselt werden, und zwar in Antwort auf eine Lese- oder Schreibabweisung der Daten durch den Arbeitsplatzrechner;

(e) wobei die Zugriffssteuerlogik kontrolliert, ob der erwünschte Modus des Zugriffs erlaubt ist, basierend auf dem Zugangsvektor und den Geräte-Attributen, die in der Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit enthalten sind, und wobei die Logik den Versuch des Zugriffs auf die Daten abbricht, falls der Zugriff nicht autorisiert ist und andernfalls den Zugriff ermöglicht, wodurch die Daten auf den Arbeitsplatzrechner übertragen werden, um dort weiter verarbeitet zu werden; und

(f) wobei eine Logik in der Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit vorgesehen ist, um ein vollständiges Zurücksetzen der Verschlüsselungs-Mediensteuereinheit zu bewirken, wodurch es erforderlich ist, das die Schlüsselverarbeitung von vorne beginnt, falls der persönliche Schlüssel entfernt wird oder falls die Medieneinheit aus dem Arbeitsplatzrechner entfernt wird.

Revendications

1. Enclave de données (20) pour sécuriser des données portées sur des unités physiques de supports fixes (2) et amovibles (4), l'enclave de données (20) comprenant un serveur de sécurité (24) connecté, via un réseau (12), à un ou plusieurs postes de travail (10), enclave dans laquelle chaque poste de travail (10) comprend un contrôleur de support cryptographique (26) utilisé pour lire l'une desdites unités physiques de supports (2, 4), l'enclave de données comprenant en outre :

une clé d'enclave (40) utilisée pour coder des données transmises à l'intérieur de l'enclave de données (20), une copie de la clé d'enclave (40) étant stockée dans le serveur de sécurité (24) et dans les postes de travail (10), un dispositif de saisie personnel (30) pour chaque utilisateur de l'enclave de données (20), un numéro d'identification personnel (PIN) (50) et un identificateur unique d'utilisateur (UID d'utilisateur) (48) affectés à chaque utilisateur de l'enclave (20), chaque UID d'utilisateur (48) étant codé avec la clé d'enclave et stocké dans le dispositif de saisie personnel (30) de l'utilisateur associé à l'UID d'utilisateur,

un ensemble d'attributs d'utilisateur (56) prévu pour chaque utilisateur, chaque ensemble d'attributs d'utilisateur (56) représentant des privilèges d'utilisateur et d'autres informations concernant la sécurité à propos d'un utilisateur particulier et chaque ensemble d'attributs d'utilisateur (56) étant associé à l'UID d'utilisateur (48) de son utilisateur respectif,

une clé de support (42) pour chaque unité de support physique (2, 4), la clé de support (42) étant utilisée pour coder et protéger les données portées sur le support,

un identificateur unique de support (UID de support) (46) pour chaque unité physique de support (2, 4), et

un ensemble d'attributs de support (54) prévu pour chaque unité physique de support (2, 4), chaque ensemble d'attributs de support (54) représentant une sensibilité ou d'autres informations concernant la sécurité à propos des données portées sur une unité particulière de support et chaque ensemble d'attributs de support (54) étant associé à l'UID de support (46) de son unité physique respective de support (2, 4), caractérisée en ce que :

le serveur de sécurité (24) comprend :

une logique de police de sécurité (86) pour calculer à partir de l'ensemble d'attributs d'utilisateur affecté à un utilisateur particulier (5) et de l'ensemble d'attributs de support affectés à une unité de support particulière (2, 4), un vecteur d'accès (52) qui définit des limites à l'accès par l'utilisateur particulier (5) à l'unité particulière de support (2, 4), et

un système cryptographique de gestion de clés (70) pour combiner le vecteur d'accès (52) et la clé de support (42) affectée à l'unité particulière de support (2, 4) pour former une paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91) et pour chiffrer la paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91) avec une clé combinée formée de la clé d'enclave

- ve (40) et de l'UID d'utilisateur (48) et du PIN (50) de l'utilisateur particulier (5), le dispositif de saisie personnel (30) comprenant des moyens (78) pour stocker la paire chiffrée de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91), et
- le contrôleur de support cryptographique (26) comprenant des moyens (70, 72, 76) pour contrôler l'accès à des données sur l'unité particulière de support (2, 4) en fonction du PIN (50) de l'utilisateur particulier (5), de l'UID de support (46) de l'unité physique particulière de support (2, 4) et de la paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91) retrouvée dans le dispositif de saisie personnel (30) de l'utilisateur particulier (5).
2. Procédé à enclave de données pour sécuriser des données portées sur des unités physiques de support fixes (2) et amovibles (4) dans une enclave de données (20) comprenant un serveur de sécurité (24) connecté, via un réseau (12), à un ou plusieurs postes de travail (10), chaque poste de travail (10) comprenant un contrôleur de support cryptographique (26) utilisé pour lire une desdites unités physiques de support (2, 4), ledit procédé comprenant les étapes suivantes :
- on met en oeuvre une clé d'enclave (40) utilisée pour coder des données transmises à l'intérieur de l'enclave de données (20),
- on stocke une copie de la clé d'enclave (40) dans le serveur de sécurité (24) et dans les postes de travail (10),
- on utilise un dispositif de saisie personnel (30) pour chaque utilisateur dans l'enclave de données (20),
- on affecte un numéro d'identification personnel (PIN) (50) et un identificateur unique d'utilisateur (UID d'utilisateur) (48) pour chaque utilisateur dans l'enclave (20),
- on affecte un ensemble d'attributs d'utilisateur (56) pour chaque utilisateur, chaque ensemble d'attributs d'utilisateur (56) représentant des privilèges de l'utilisateur et d'autres informations concernant la sécurité à propos d'un utilisateur particulier,
- on associe chaque ensemble d'attributs d'utilisateur (56) à l'UID d'utilisateur (48) de son utilisateur respectif,
- on code chaque UID d'utilisateur (48) avec la clé d'enclave et on stocke chaque UID d'utilisateur codé (48') dans le dispositif de saisie personnel (30) de l'utilisateur associé à l'UID d'utilisateur (48),
- on affecte une clé de support (42) et un identificateur unique de support (UID de support) (46) à chaque unité physique de support (2, 4), la clé de support (42) étant utilisée pour coder et protéger les données portées sur le support, on affecte un ensemble d'attributs de support (54) pour chaque unité physique de support (2, 4), chaque ensemble d'attributs de support (54) représentant une sensibilité ou d'autres informations concernant la sécurité à propos des données portées sur une unité particulière de support, et
- on associe chaque ensemble d'attributs de support (54) à l'UID de support (48) de son unité physique respective de support (2, 4), caractérisé en ce que :
- on calcule, à partir de l'ensemble d'attributs d'utilisateur affecté à un utilisateur particulier (5) et de l'ensemble d'attributs de support affecté à une unité particulière de support (2, 4), un vecteur d'accès (52) qui définit des limites à l'accès par l'utilisateur particulier (5) à l'unité particulière de support (2, 4),
- on combine le vecteur d'accès (52) et la clé de support (42) affectée à l'unité particulière de support (2, 4) pour former une paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91),
- on chiffre la paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91) avec une clé combinée formée de la clé d'enclave (40) et de l'UID d'utilisateur (48) et du PIN (50) de l'utilisateur particulier (5), et
- on stocke la paire chiffrée de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91) dans le dispositif de saisie personnel (30) de l'utilisateur particulier (5), et
- on contrôle l'accès aux données sur l'unité particulière de support (2, 4) en fonction du PIN (50) de l'utilisateur particulier (5), de l'UID de support (46) de l'unité physique particulière de support (2, 4) et de la paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91) retrouvée dans le dispositif de saisie personnel (30) de l'utilisateur particulier (5).
3. Procédé selon la revendication 2, dans lequel le procédé comprend en outre la mise en oeuvre d'attributs de dispositif pour chaque poste de travail (10), les attributs de dispositif représentant des attributs de sécurité des postes de travail (10), et dans lequel l'étape de commande d'accès comprend les étapes suivantes :
- on détermine le poste de travail (10) utilisé par l'utilisateur particulier (5),
- on recherche les attributs de dispositif (58) associés au poste de travail (10) utilisé par l'utilisateur particulier (5),
- on extrait le vecteur d'accès (52) de la paire codée de clés de support/vecteur d'accès (91) retrouvée dans le dispositif de saisie personnel (30) de l'utilisateur particulier (5), et

on combine les attributs de dispositif retrouvés (58) avec le vecteur d'accès extrait (52) pour déterminer les droits d'accès par l'utilisateur particulier (5) au poste de travail particulier (10).

4. Procédé selon la revendication 2, dans lequel le procédé comprend en outre les étapes suivantes :

(a) on met en oeuvre une logique cryptographique de gestion de clés dans chaque contrôleur de support cryptographique (i) pour recevoir un PIN d'utilisateur demandeur d'un dispositif de saisie personnel, (ii) pour recevoir un UID d'utilisateur codé du dispositif de saisie personnel et décoder l'UID d'utilisateur en utilisant la clé d'enclave, et (iii) pour former un premier paquet comprenant le PIN de l'utilisateur demandeur, l'UID d'utilisateur et une demande d'initialisation d'une nouvelle unité de support, la demande comprenant les attributs de support pour la nouvelle unité de support, 10
(b) on met en oeuvre une logique cryptographique de gestion de clés dans le serveur pour décoder le premier paquet en utilisant la clé d'enclave stockée dans le serveur, 15
(c) on met en oeuvre une logique de recherche de stockage dans le serveur (i) pour lire une base de données d'attributs d'utilisateur dans le serveur en utilisant l'UID d'utilisateur à titre d'index, (ii) pour renvoyer une valeur de validation si le PIN de l'utilisateur demandeur reçu dans le premier paquet correspond à un PIN valide stocké dans la base de données d'attributs d'utilisateur, (iii) pour avorter la demande d'initialisation si le PIN de l'utilisateur demandeur n'est pas valide, (iv) pour extraire les attributs de support de la demande et commander à une base de données d'attributs de support stockée dans le serveur d'effectuer une entrée pour la nouvelle unité de support et de créer un nouvel UID de support pour la nouvelle unité de support, et (v) pour indexer la base de données d'attributs d'utilisateur avec l'UID d'utilisateur afin d'extraire la série d'attributs de sécurité appartenant à l'utilisateur demandeur et pour faire passer les attributs de sécurité à une logique de police de sécurité dans le serveur, 20
(d) la logique de police de sécurité acceptant les attributs de support et les attributs de sécurité de l'utilisateur demandeur et, en utilisant une série de règles et/ou sous la direction d'un administrateur du système, on calcule un nouveau vecteur d'accès qui définit des limites à l'accès que l'utilisateur demandeur aura sur la nouvelle unité de support, 25
(e) le circuit logique cryptographique de gestion de clés dans le serveur (i) générant également, 30

avec l'aide facultative de l'administrateur du système, une nouvelle clé de support pour la nouvelle unité de support et (ii) chiffrant la nouvelle paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès formée avec la nouvelle clé de support et le nouveau vecteur d'accès avec une clé combinée comprenant l'UID d'utilisateur, le PIN d'utilisateur et la clé d'enclave, pour former un deuxième paquet,

(f) la logique de recherche de stockage stockant également le deuxième paquet chiffré dans une base de données de clés cryptographiques stockées dans le serveur, le deuxième paquet indexé selon l'UID d'utilisateur de l'utilisateur demandeur et le nouveau UID de support, 35

(g) on met en oeuvre une autre logique pour envoyer le nouvel UID de support et le deuxième paquet au poste de travail d'où le premier paquet a été reçu, et

(h) on met en oeuvre une logique de recherche de stockage dans le contrôleur de support cryptographique (i) pour recevoir le nouvel UID de support et le transcrire dans un emplacement approprié sur la nouvelle unité de support et (ii) pour stocker le deuxième paquet comprenant la nouvelle paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès dans le dispositif de saisie personnel lié au poste de travail en utilisant le nouvel UID de support comme index.

5. Procédé selon la revendication 2, comprenant en outre les étapes suivantes :

(a) on met en oeuvre une logique cryptographique de gestion de clés dans chaque contrôleur de support cryptographique (i) pour recevoir un PIN de l'utilisateur demandeur d'un dispositif de saisie personnel, (ii) pour recevoir un UID d'utilisateur codé du dispositif de saisie personnel et décoder l'UID d'utilisateur en utilisant la clé d'enclave et (iii) pour lire l'UID de support sur l'unité de support initialisée et rechercher sur le dispositif de saisie personnel une paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès pour l'unité de support initialisée pour l'utilisateur demandeur en utilisant le PIN d'utilisateur comme index, et (iv) si aucune paire n'est trouvée, pour générer une demande d'affectation de clé, 40

(b) la logique cryptographique de gestion de clés dans les postes de travail formant en outre (i) le premier paquet comprenant le PIN de l'utilisateur demandeur et l'UID d'utilisateur, l'UID de support pour l'unité de support initialisée et la demande d'affectation de clé, (ii) codant le premier paquet avec la clé d'enclave et (iii) envoyant le paquet au serveur de sécurité via le réseau, 45

(c) on met en oeuvre une logique cryptographique de gestion de clés dans le serveur pour décoder le premier paquet en utilisant la clé d'enclave stockée dans le serveur afin d'obtenir le PIN de l'utilisateur demandeur, et l'UID d'utilisateur, l'UID de support et la demande, 5

(d) on met en oeuvre une logique de recherche de stockage dans le serveur de sécurité (i) pour lire une base de données d'attributs d'utilisateur stockée dans le serveur en utilisant l'UID d'utilisateur comme index, (ii) pour renvoyer une valeur de validation si le PIN de l'utilisateur demandeur reçu dans le premier paquet correspond à un PIN valide stocké dans la base de données d'attributs d'utilisateur, (iii) pour avorter la demande d'initialisation établie dans le premier paquet si le PIN de l'utilisateur demandeur n'est pas valide, (iv) pour lire la base de données d'attributs d'utilisateur en utilisant le PIN d'utilisateur comme index et extraire les attributs de sécurité de l'utilisateur demandeur, et (v) pour faire passer les attributs de sécurité à la logique de police de sécurité dans le serveur, 10

(e) la logique de police de sécurité recevant les attributs de sécurité et calculant un nouveau vecteur d'accès qui définit des limites à l'accès que l'utilisateur peut avoir sur l'unité de support initialisée, le nouveau vecteur d'accès calculé utilisant une série de règles et/ou avec l'intervention d'un administrateur du système, 20

(f) la logique de recherche de stockage définissant également (i) un paquet de clé chiffré dans une base de données de clés cryptographiques conservée dans le serveur de sécurité, qui a été précédemment stocké et qui contient la clé de support pour l'unité de support initialisée, (ii) lorsqu'un paquet est trouvé, extrayant la clé de support de celui-ci, et (iii) formant une nouvelle paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès avec la clé de support extraite et le nouveau vecteur d'accès, et un nouveau paquet de clé comprenant la nouvelle paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès, l'UID d'utilisateur et l'UID de support, et en plaçant le nouveau paquet de clé dans la base de données de clés cryptographiques à des fins d'archivage, 25

(g) la logique de clés cryptographiques chiffrant également la nouvelle paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès avec une clé combinée en utilisant l'UID d'utilisateur, le PIN d'utilisateur et la clé d'enclave, et en transmettant le paquet chiffré par le réseau au contrôleur de support cryptographique, et 30

(h) le contrôleur de support cryptographique utilisant l'UID de support comme index pour stocker la nouvelle paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès dans le dispositif de saisie per-

sonnel à partir duquel le PIN d'utilisateur a été entré, de telle sorte que le dispositif de saisie personnel contienne une clé de support qui ne peut être utilisée que par quelqu'un qui est en possession physique de ce dispositif de saisie personnel, connaît le PIN d'utilisateur associé à la clé de support et est en possession physique de l'unité de support commandée par le contrôleur de support cryptographique contenant la clé d'enclave, l'accès de l'utilisateur étant en outre restreint par le vecteur d'accès jumelé à la clé de support.

6. Procédé selon la revendication 2, comprenant en outre les étapes suivantes :

(a) le contrôleur de support cryptographique (i) recevant également un PIN d'utilisateur d'un dispositif de saisie personnel d'un utilisateur cherchant un accès à une unité de support initialisée sous le contrôle du contrôleur de support cryptographique, 35

(b) on met en oeuvre le circuit logique de recherche de stockage dans le contrôleur de support cryptographique (i) pour lire l'unité de support initialisée et extraire l'UID de support, (ii) pour rechercher le stockage dans le dispositif de saisie personnel et extraire la paire chiffrée de clés de support/vecteur d'accès pour l'UID de support et l'envoyer à un système cryptographique de gestion de clés dans le contrôleur de support cryptographique, 40

(c) le système cryptographique de gestion de clés (i) recherchant l'UID d'utilisateur dans le dispositif de saisie personnel et le déchiffrant en utilisant la clé d'enclave, (ii) combinant l'UID d'utilisateur, le PIN d'utilisateur et la clé d'enclave pour former une clé combinée afin de décoder la paire de clés de support/vecteur d'accès, et faisant passer la clé de support extraite à un système cryptographique de données et le vecteur d'accès à la logique de commande d'accès, 45

(d) le système cryptographique de données déchiffrant les données d'une unité de support en utilisant la clé de support et faisant passer dans la logique de commande d'accès les données déchiffrées en réponse à une demande de lecture ou d'écriture des données par le poste de travail, 50

(e) la logique de commande d'accès contrôlant si le mode souhaité d'accès est autorisé sur la base du vecteur d'accès et des attributs de dispositif contenus dans le contrôleur de support cryptographique et avortant la tentative d'accès aux données si l'accès n'est pas autorisé et permettant autrement l'accès de telle sorte que les données soient transférées à un poste de tra-

vail pour traitement, et

(f) on met en oeuvre une logique dans le contrôleur de support cryptographique pour provoquer une remise à zéro complète du contrôleur de support cryptographique et on recommence le processus de saisie depuis le début dans le cas où le dispositif de saisie personnel est désaccouplé ou que l'unité de support est retirée du poste de travail.

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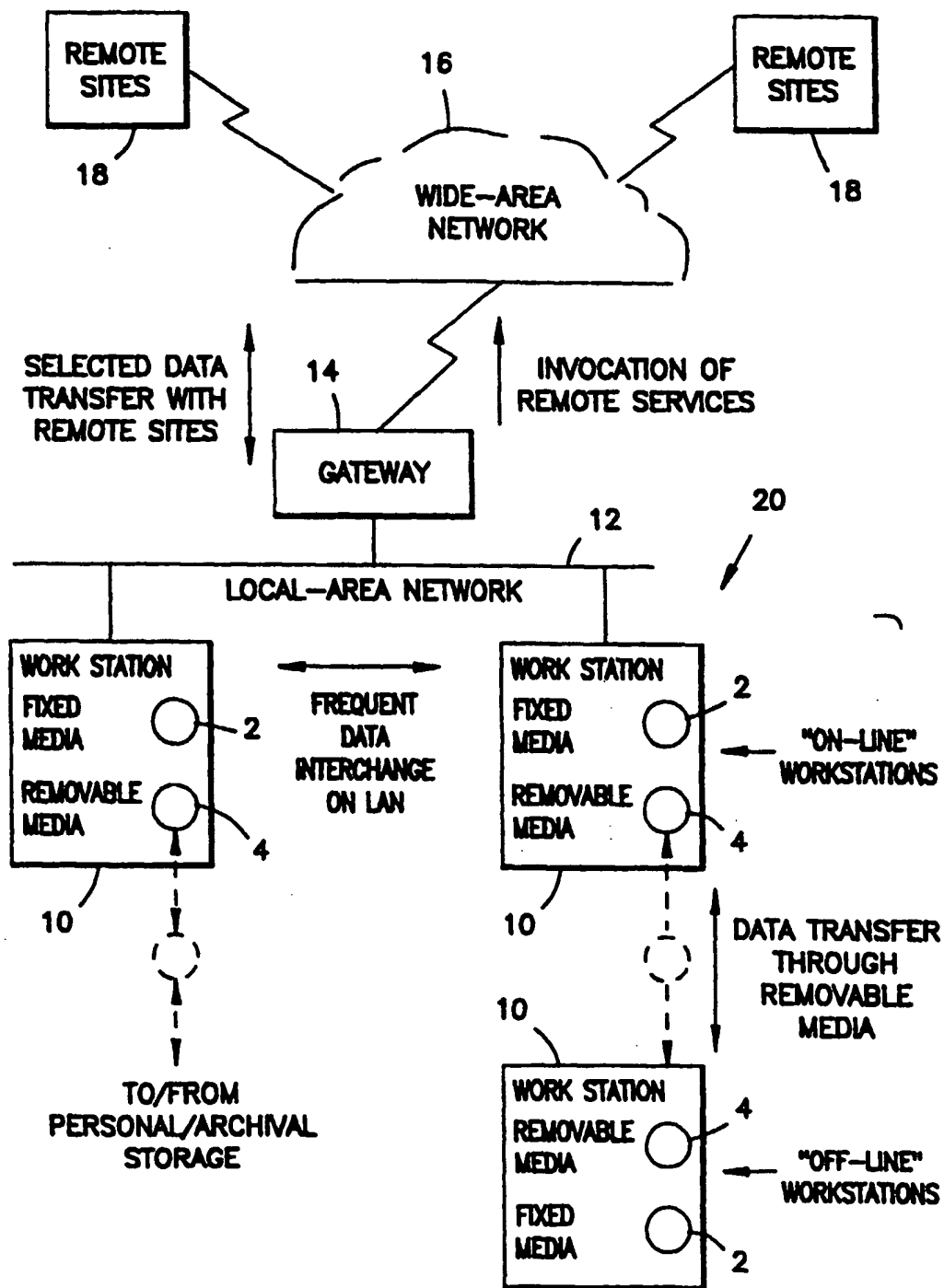
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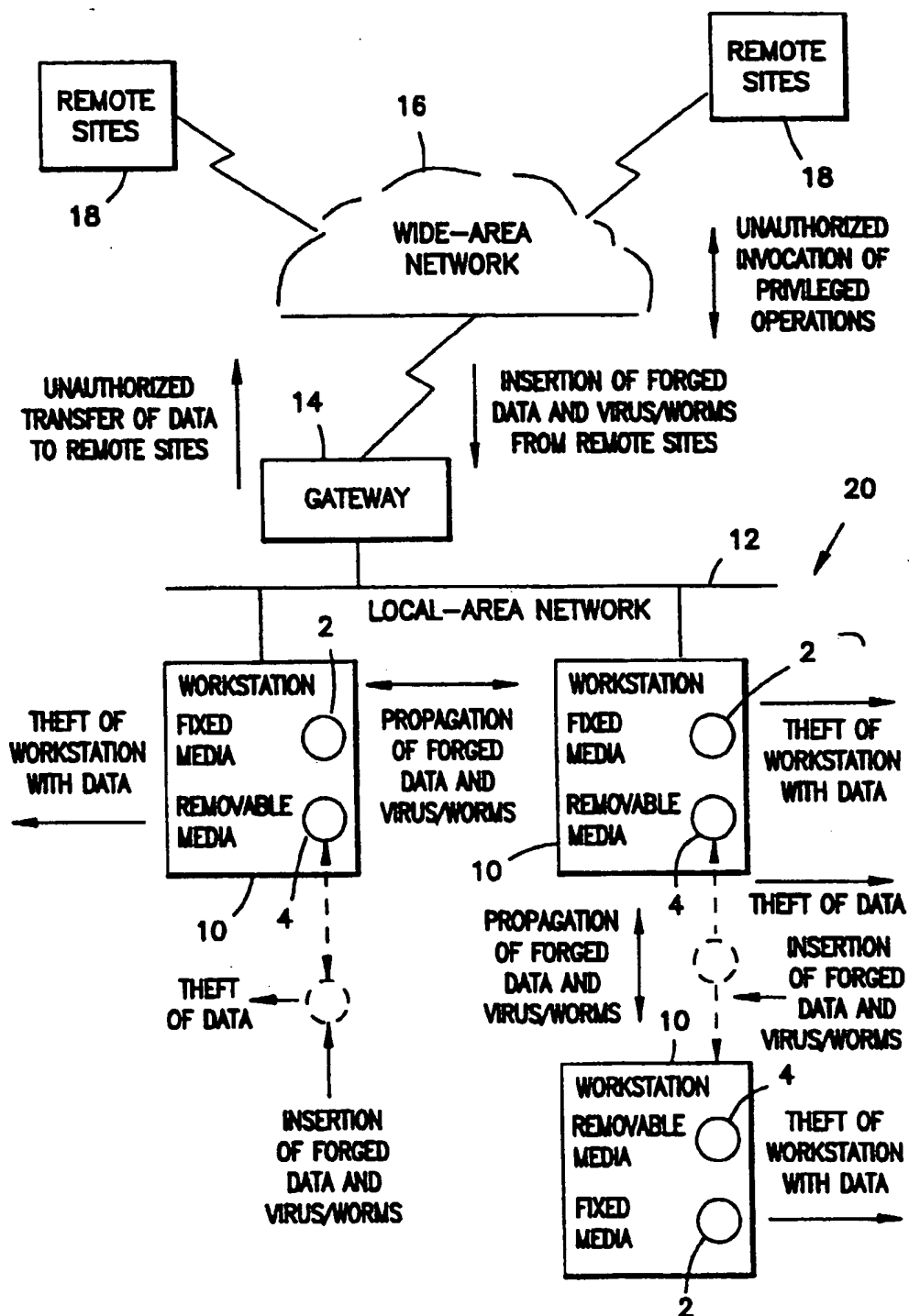
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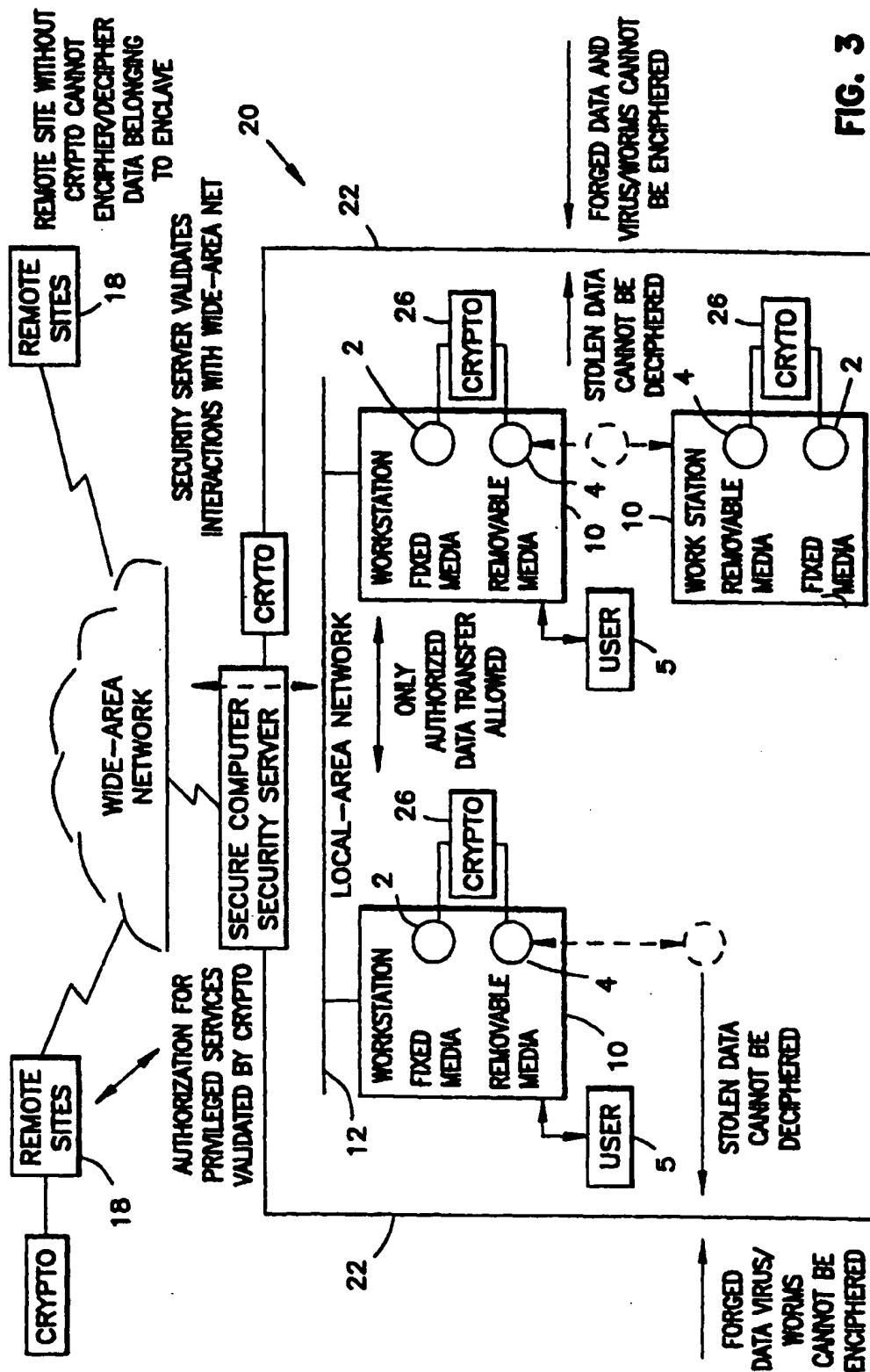


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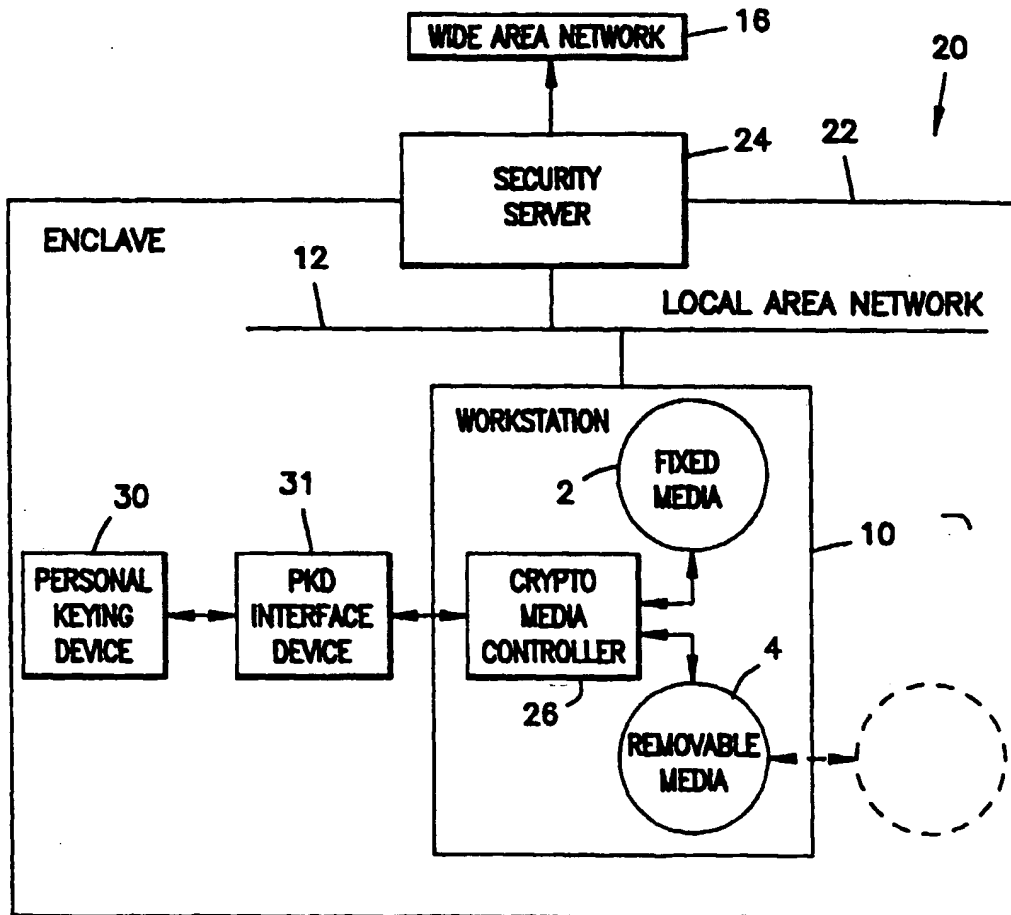


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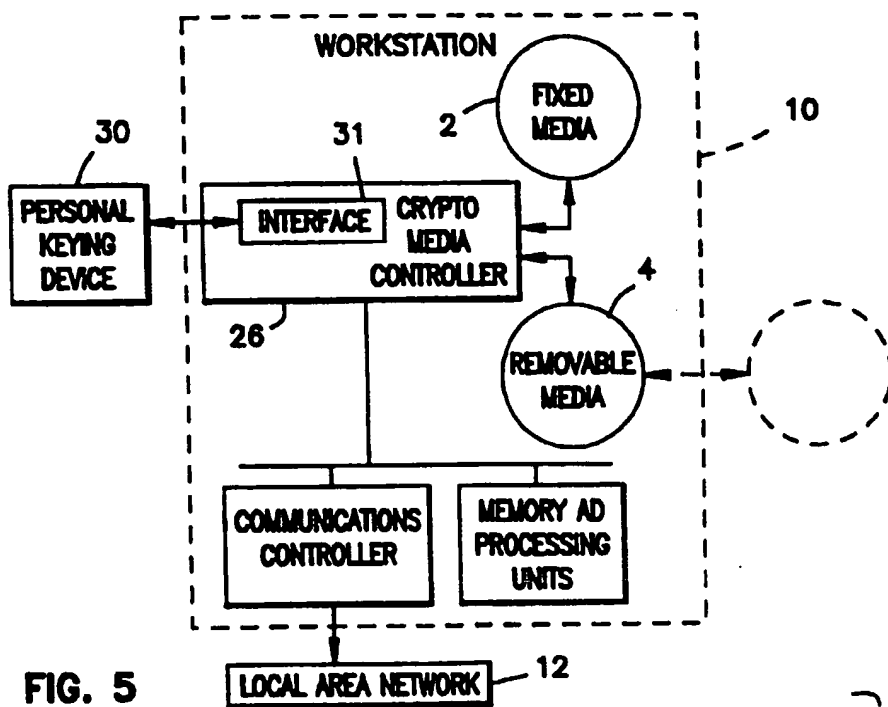


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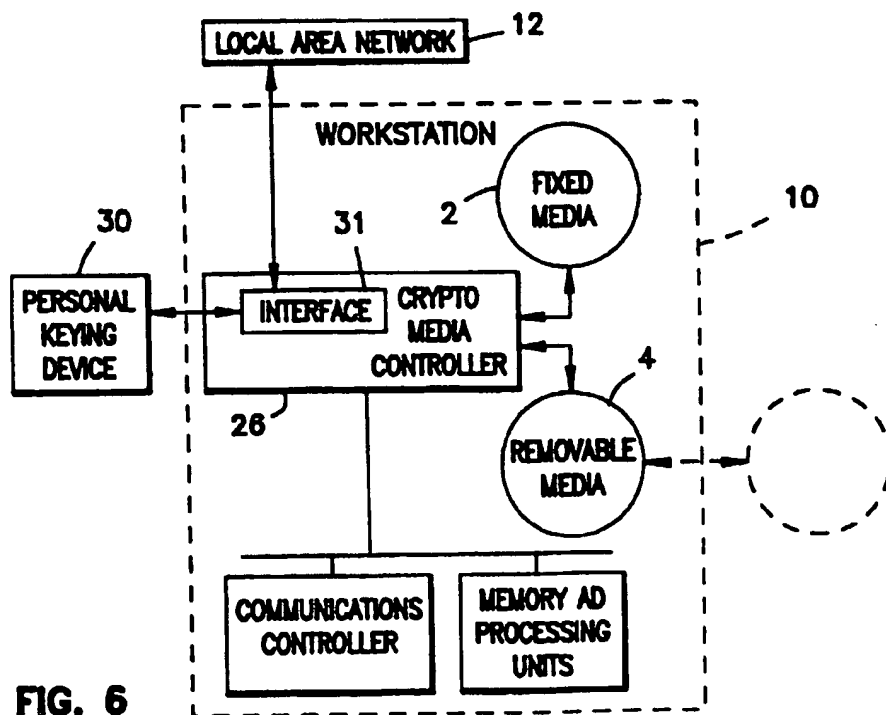


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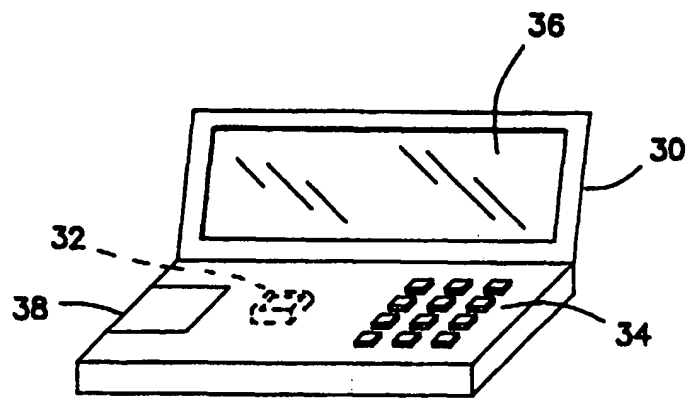


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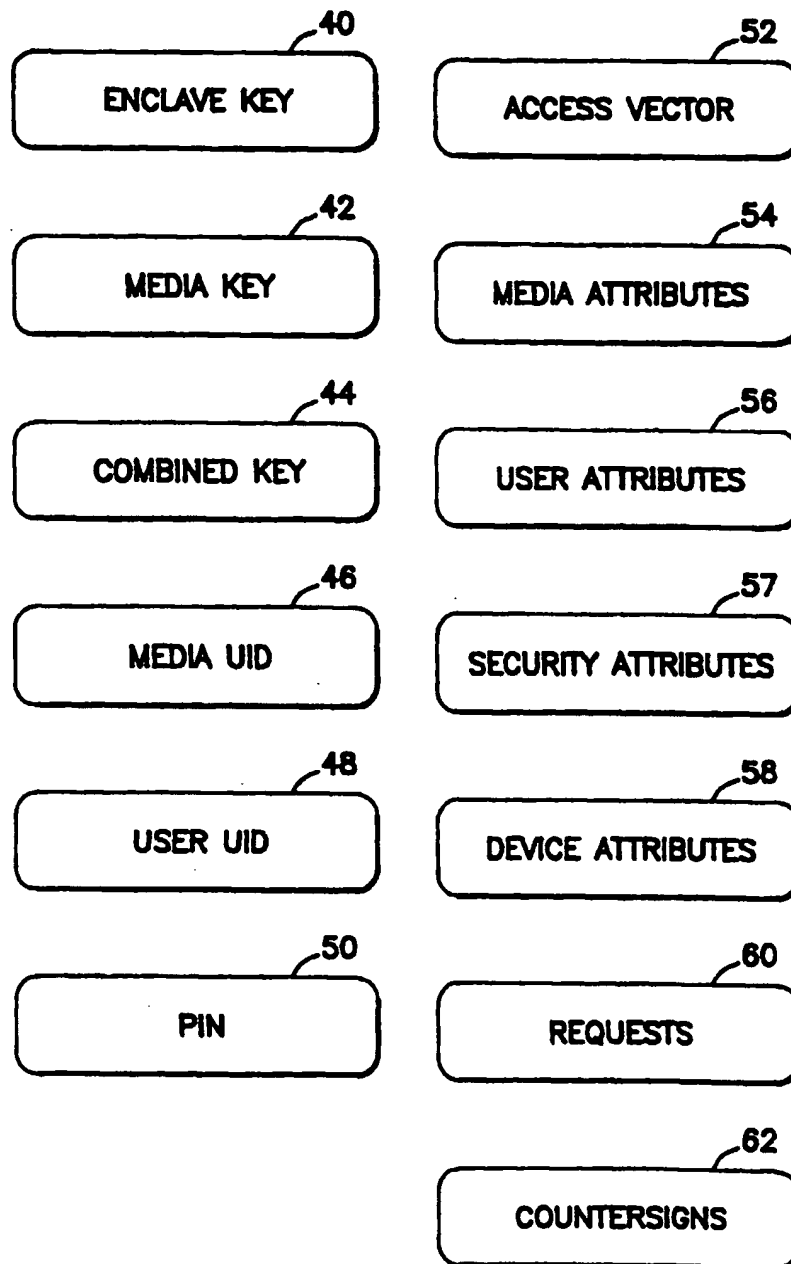


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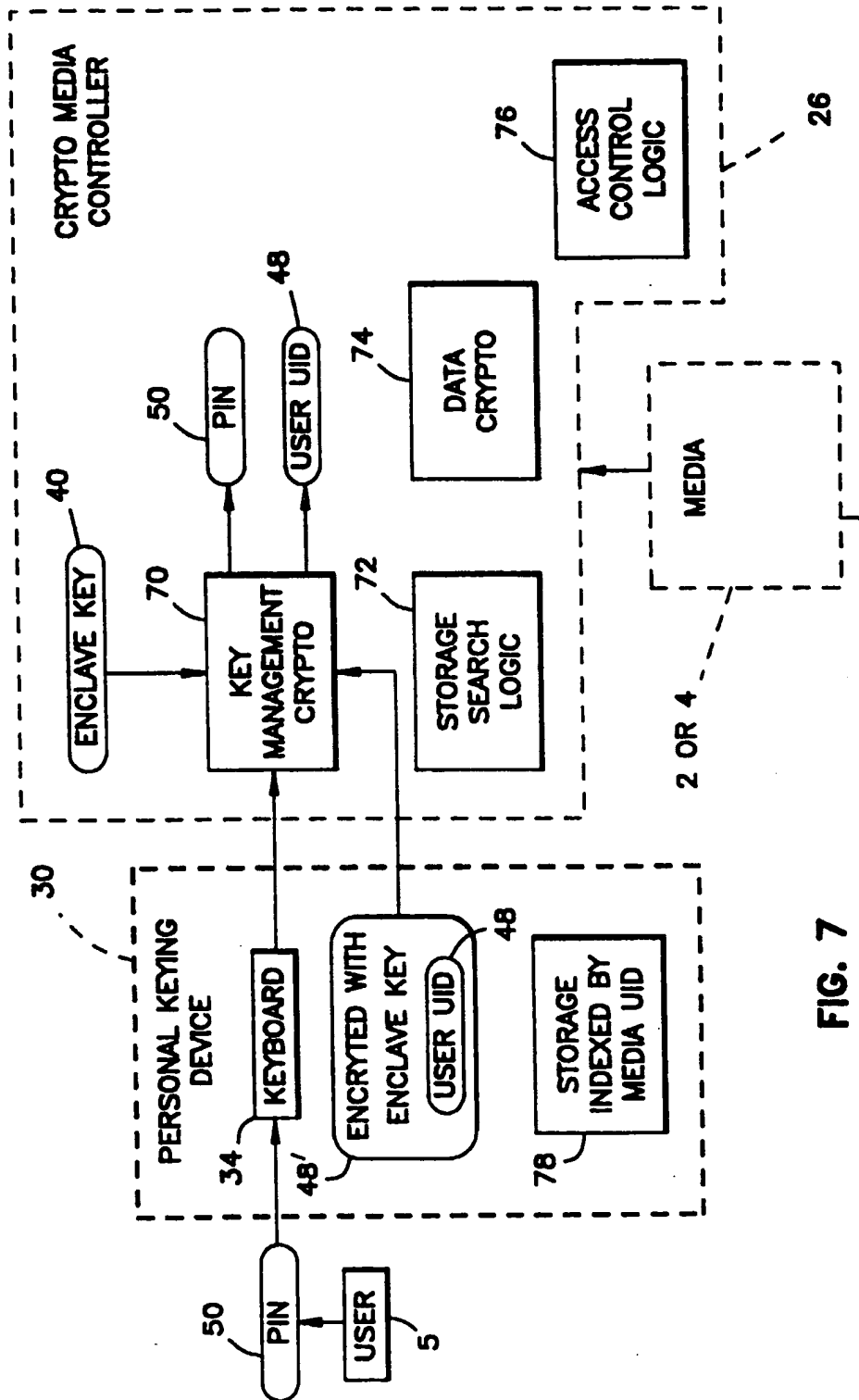


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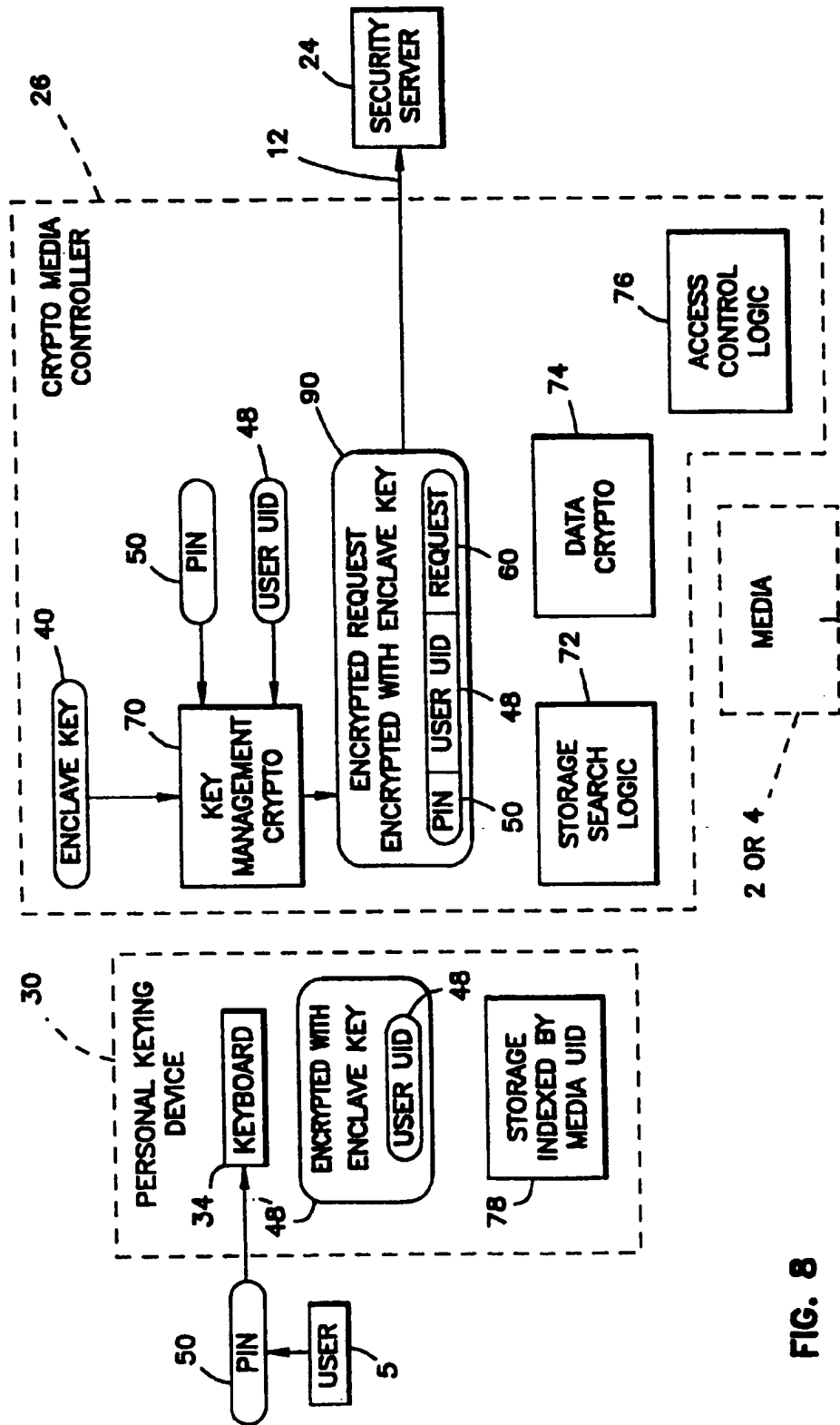


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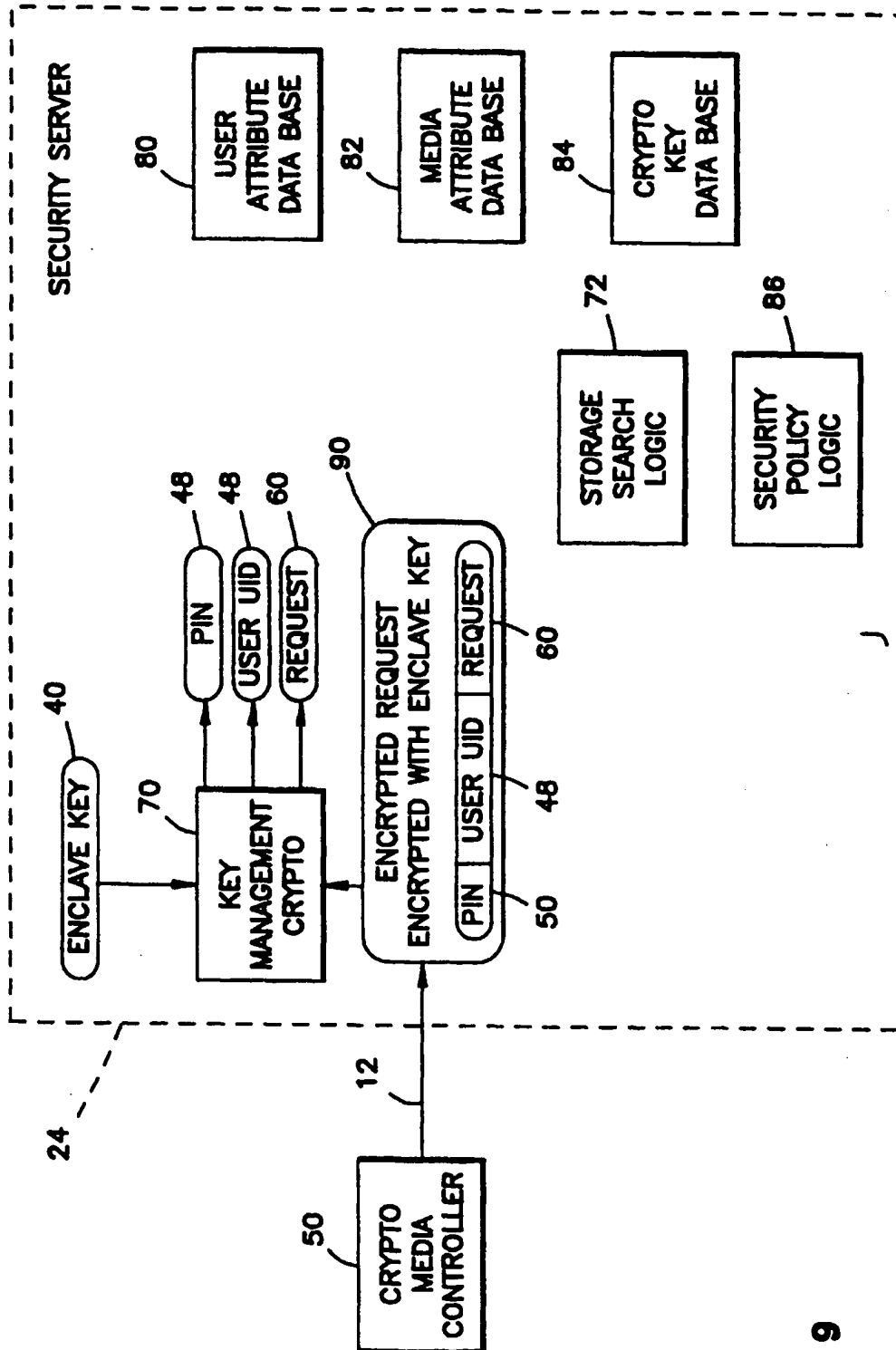


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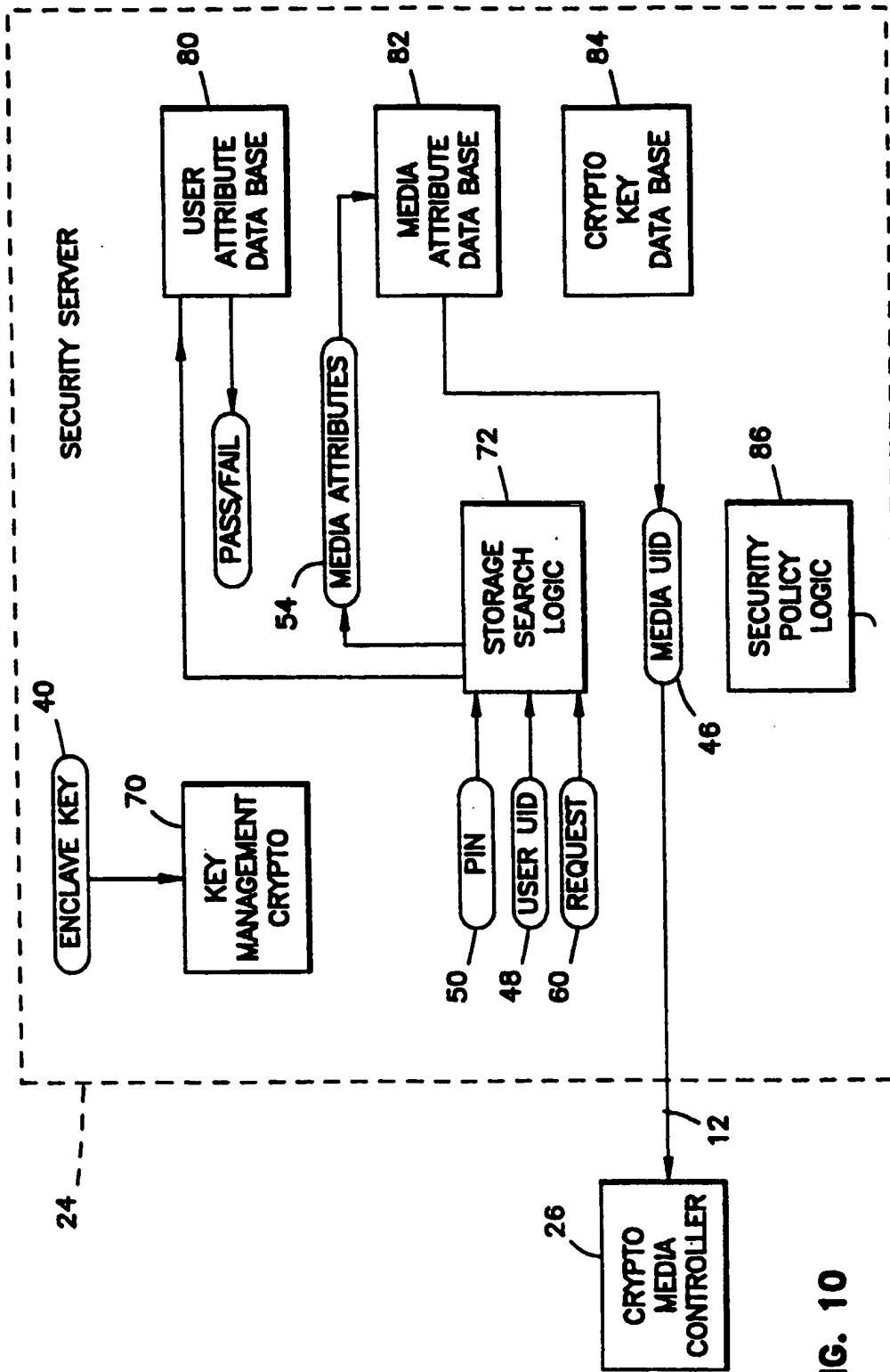


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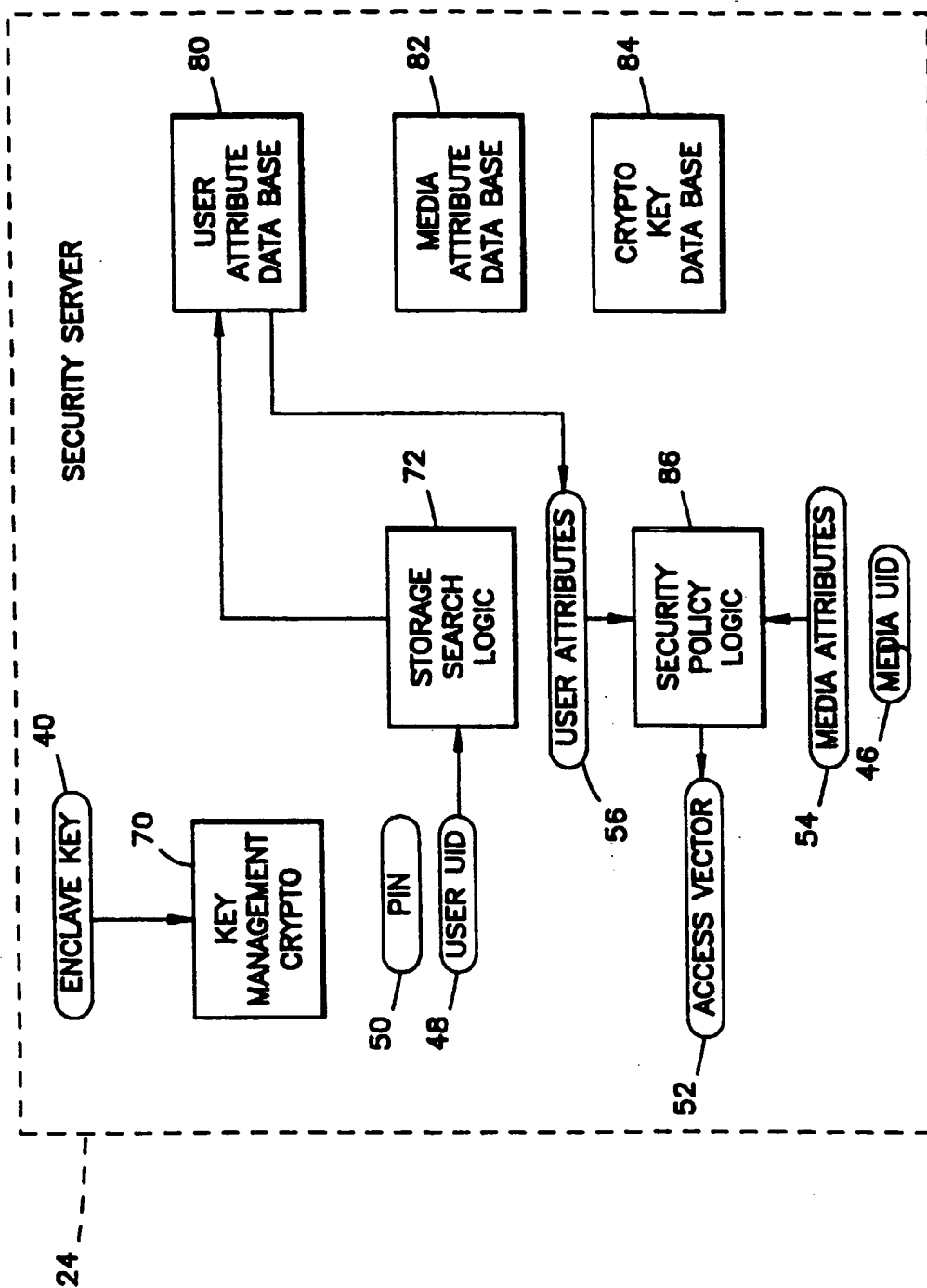


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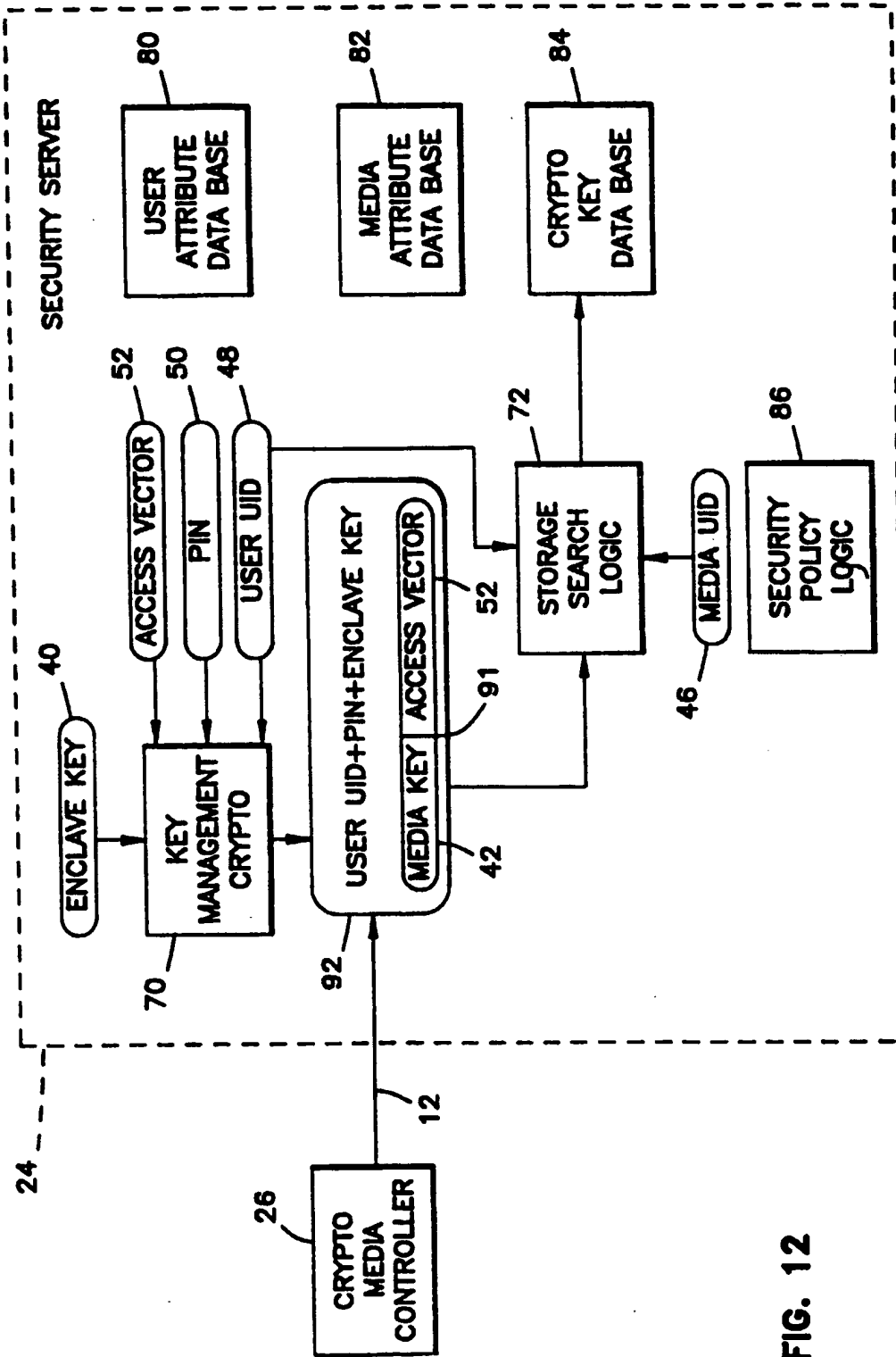


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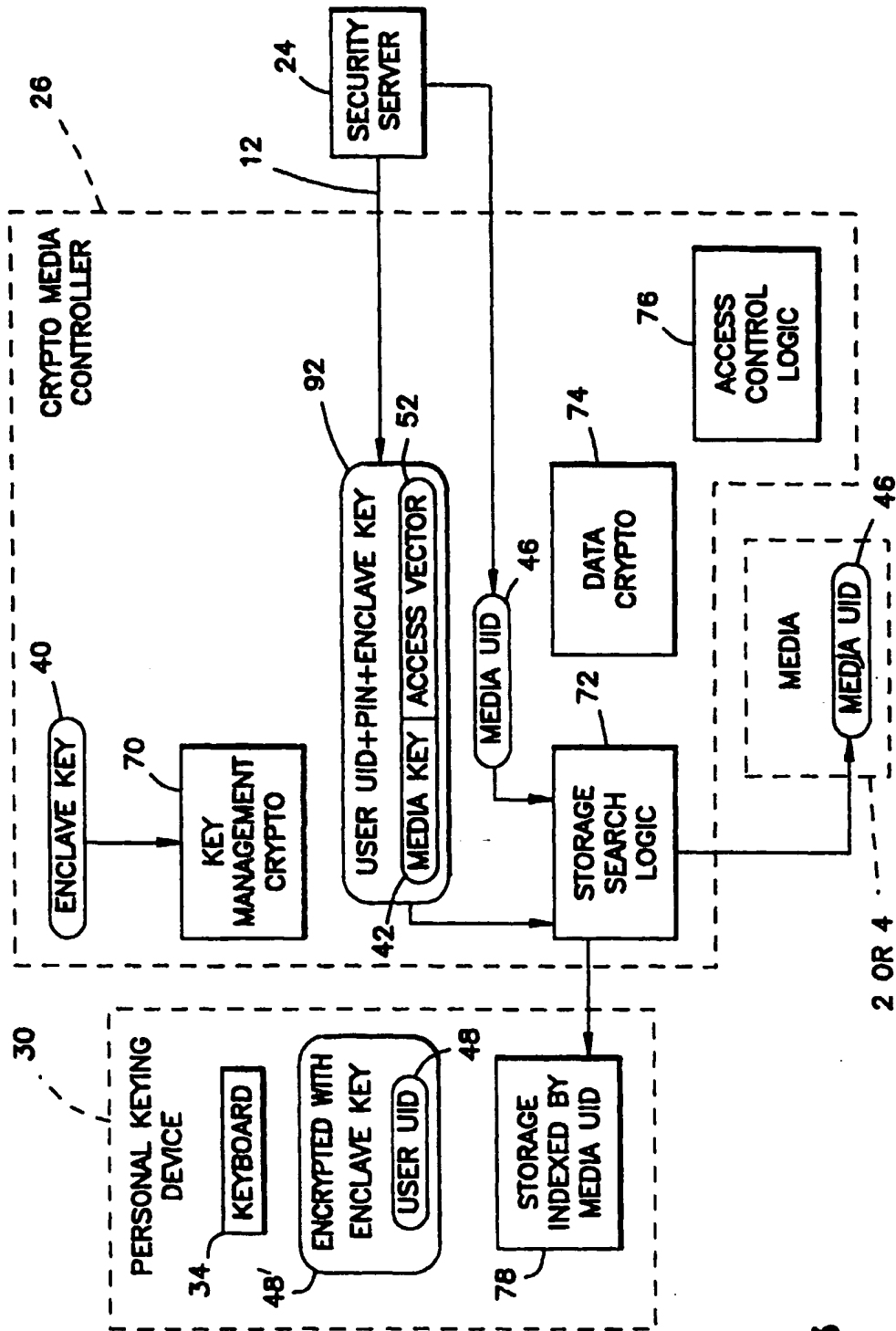
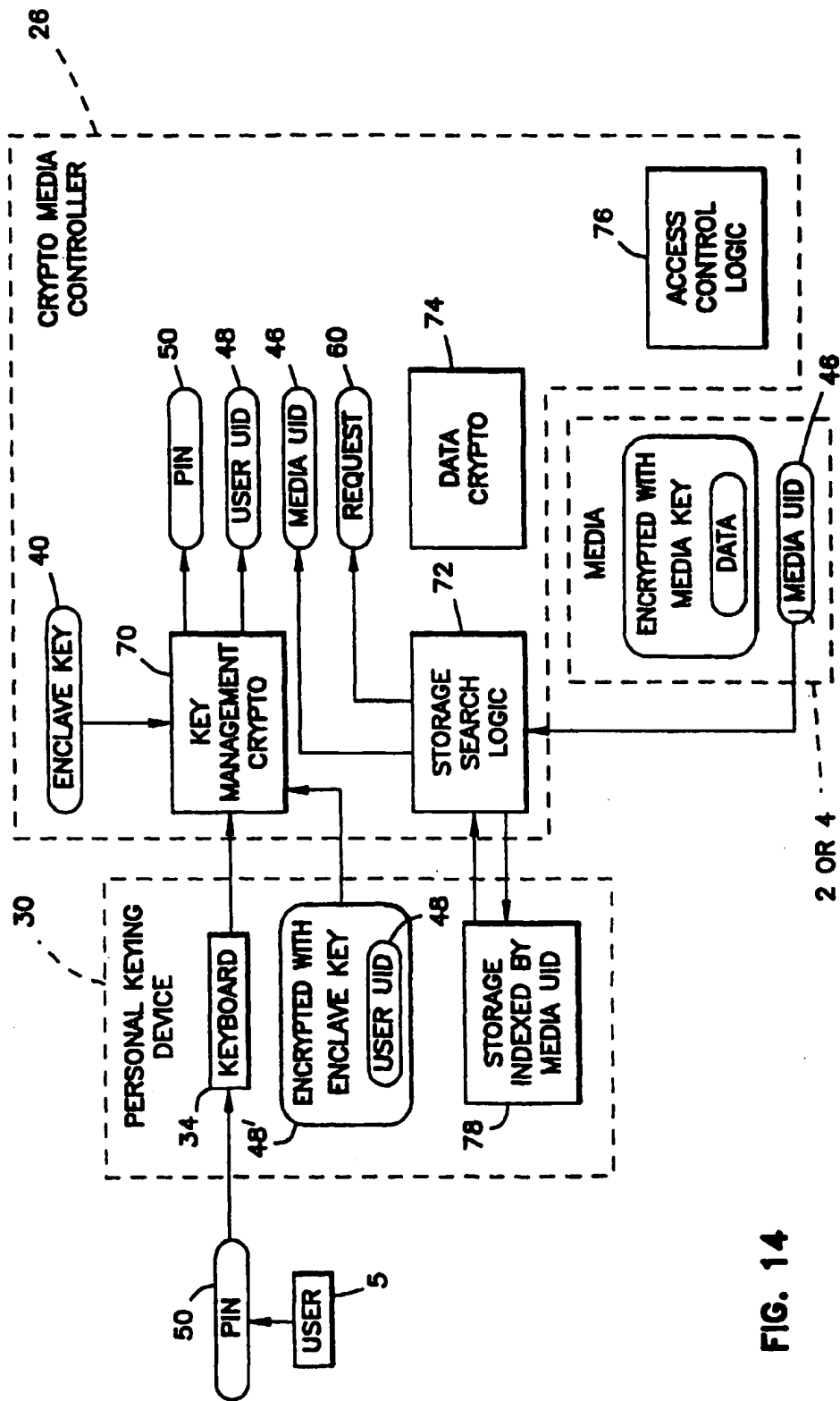


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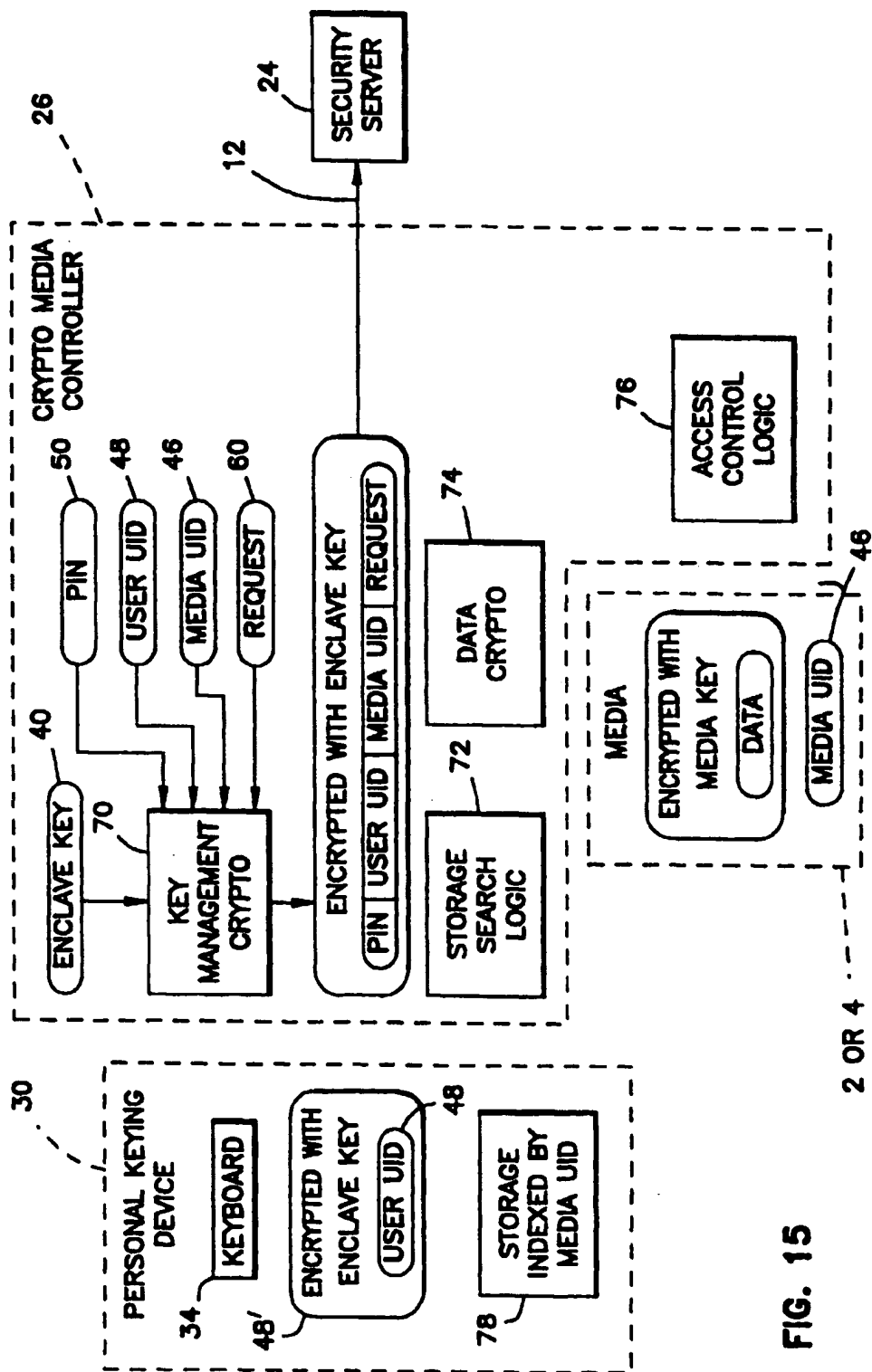
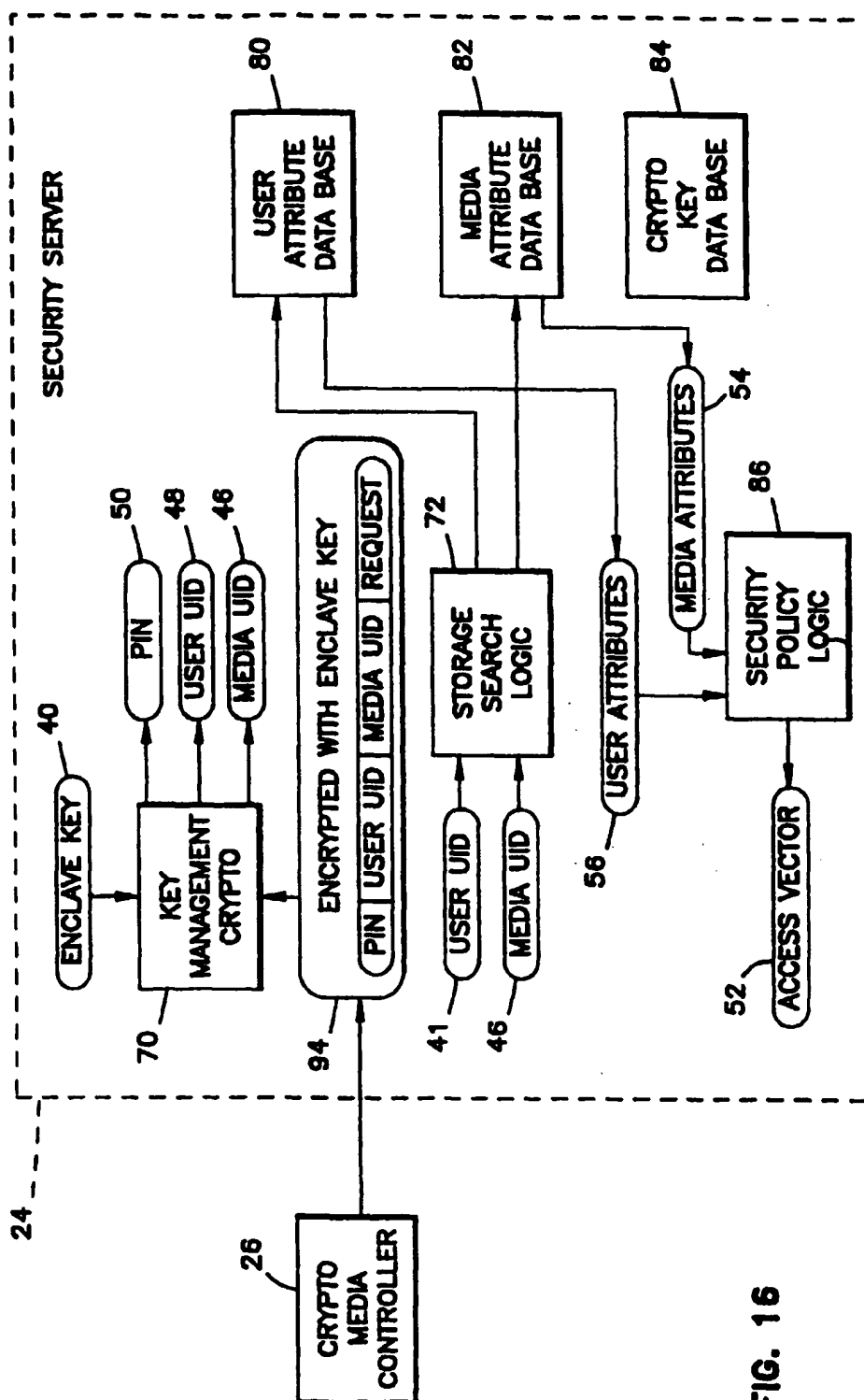


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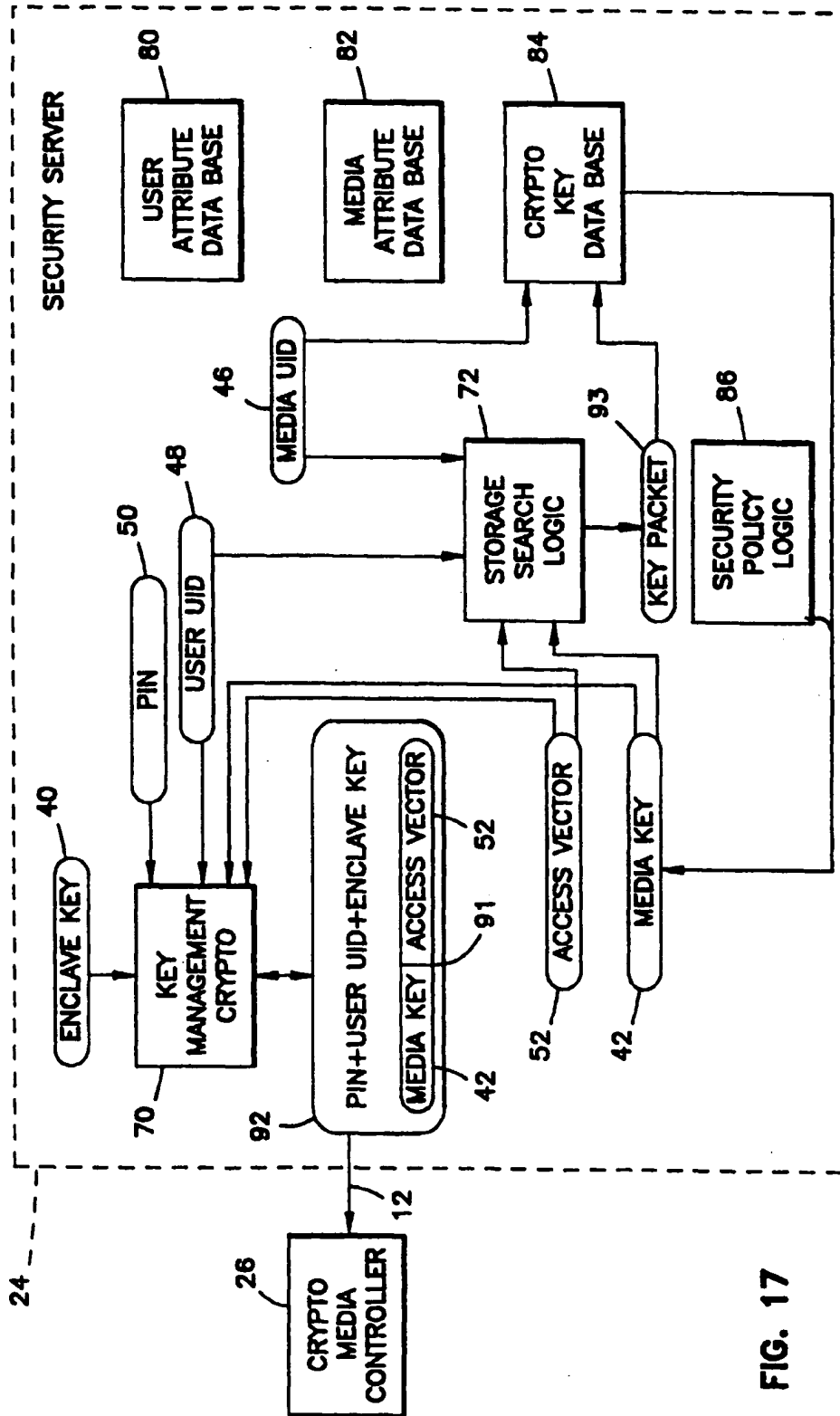


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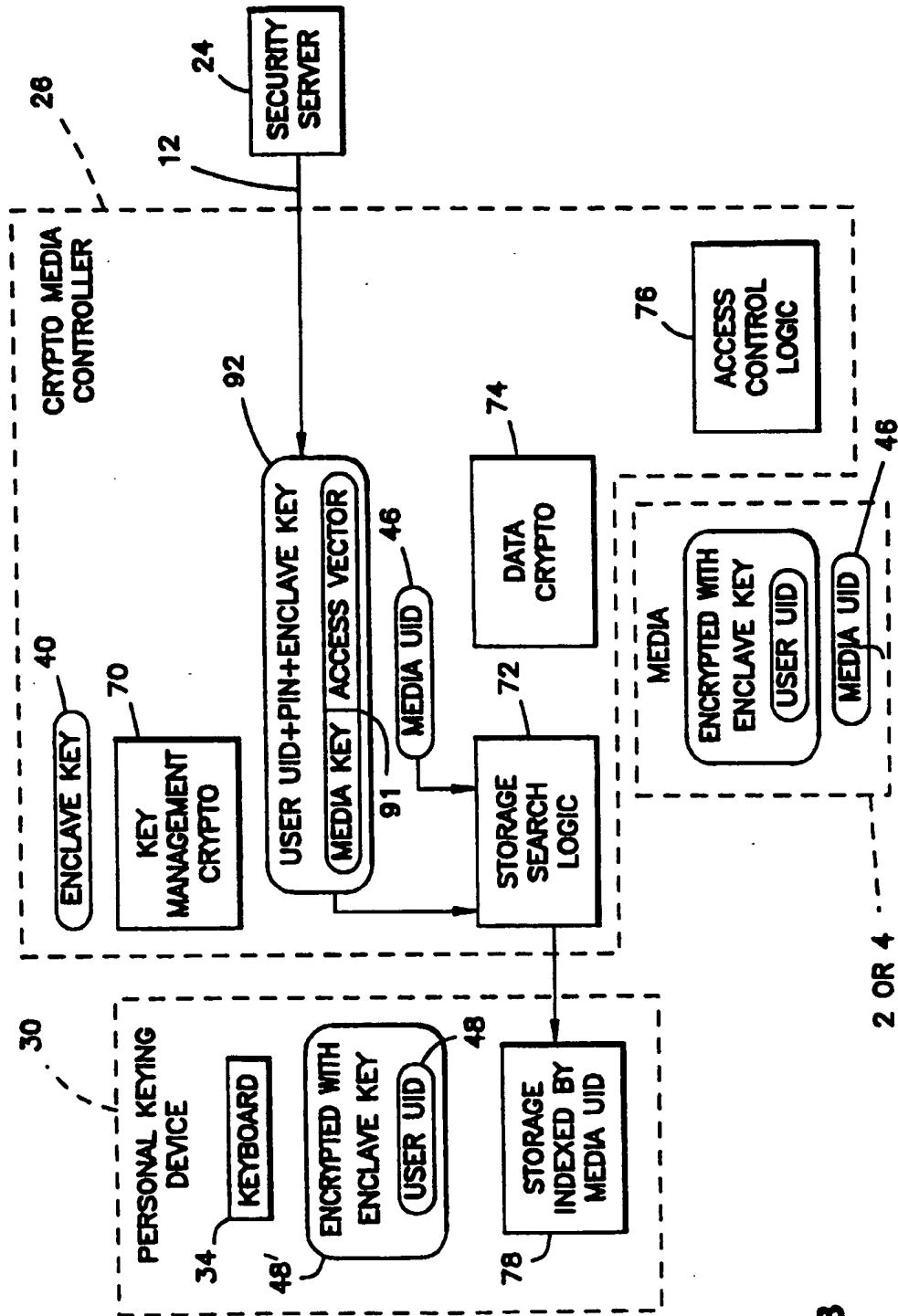


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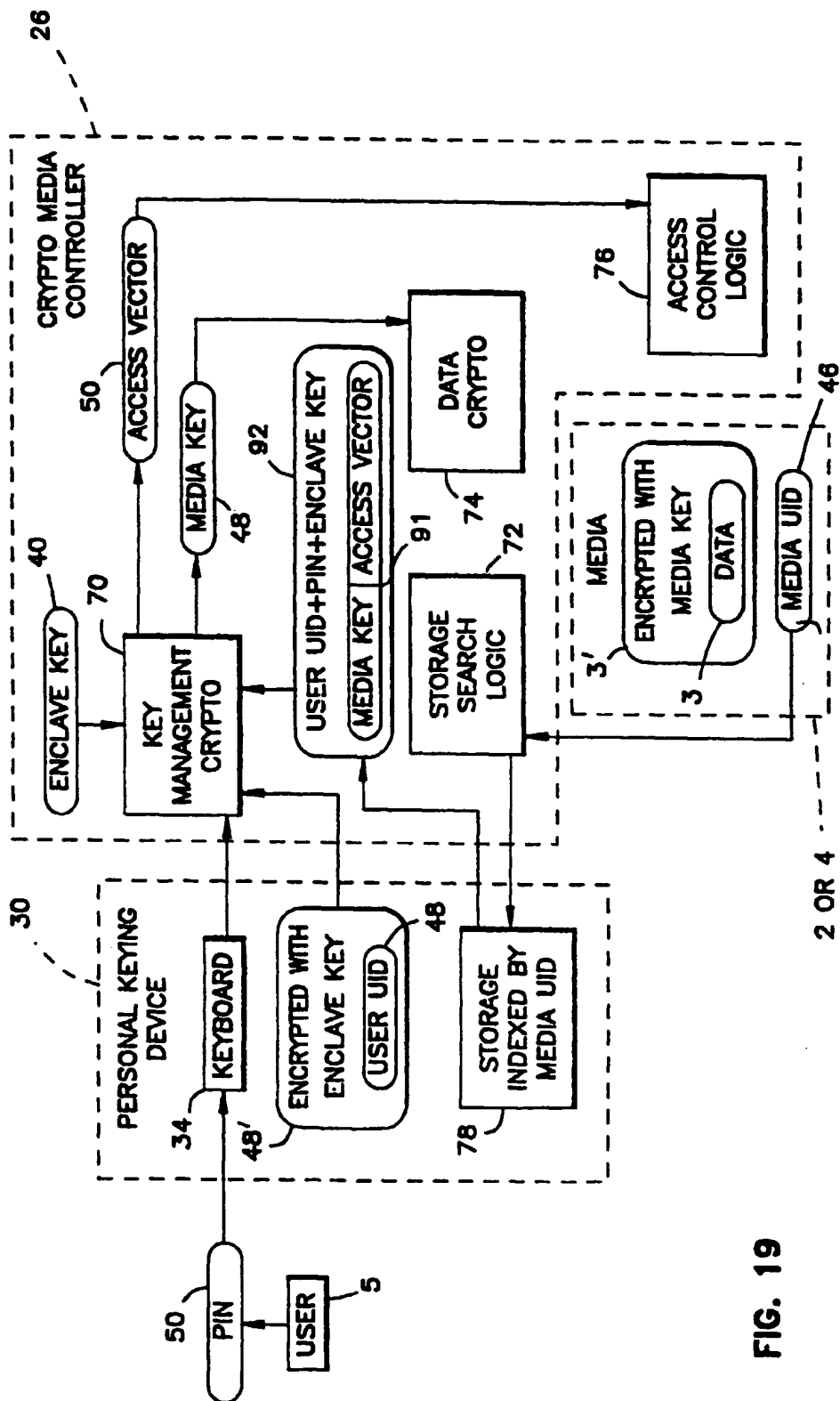
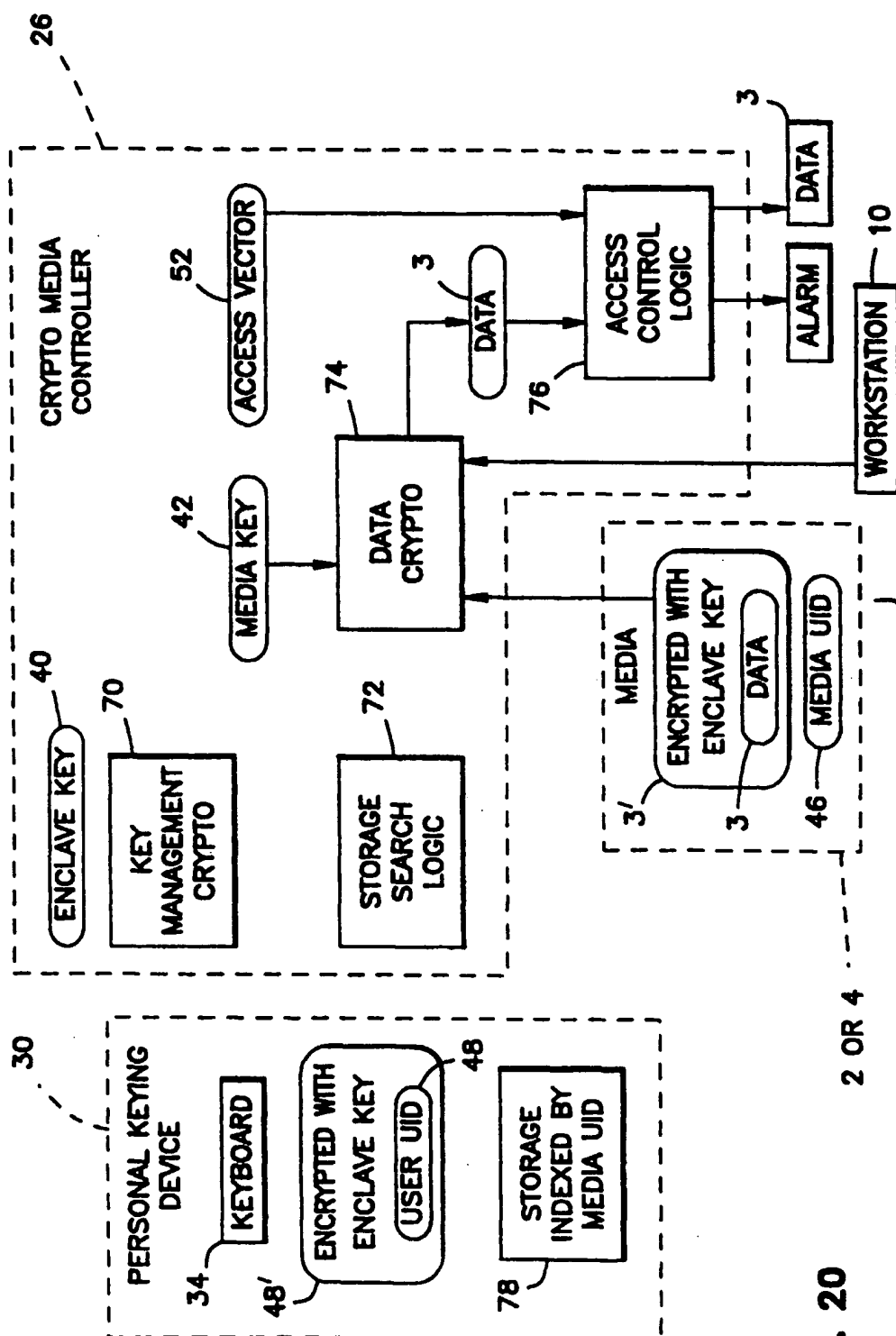


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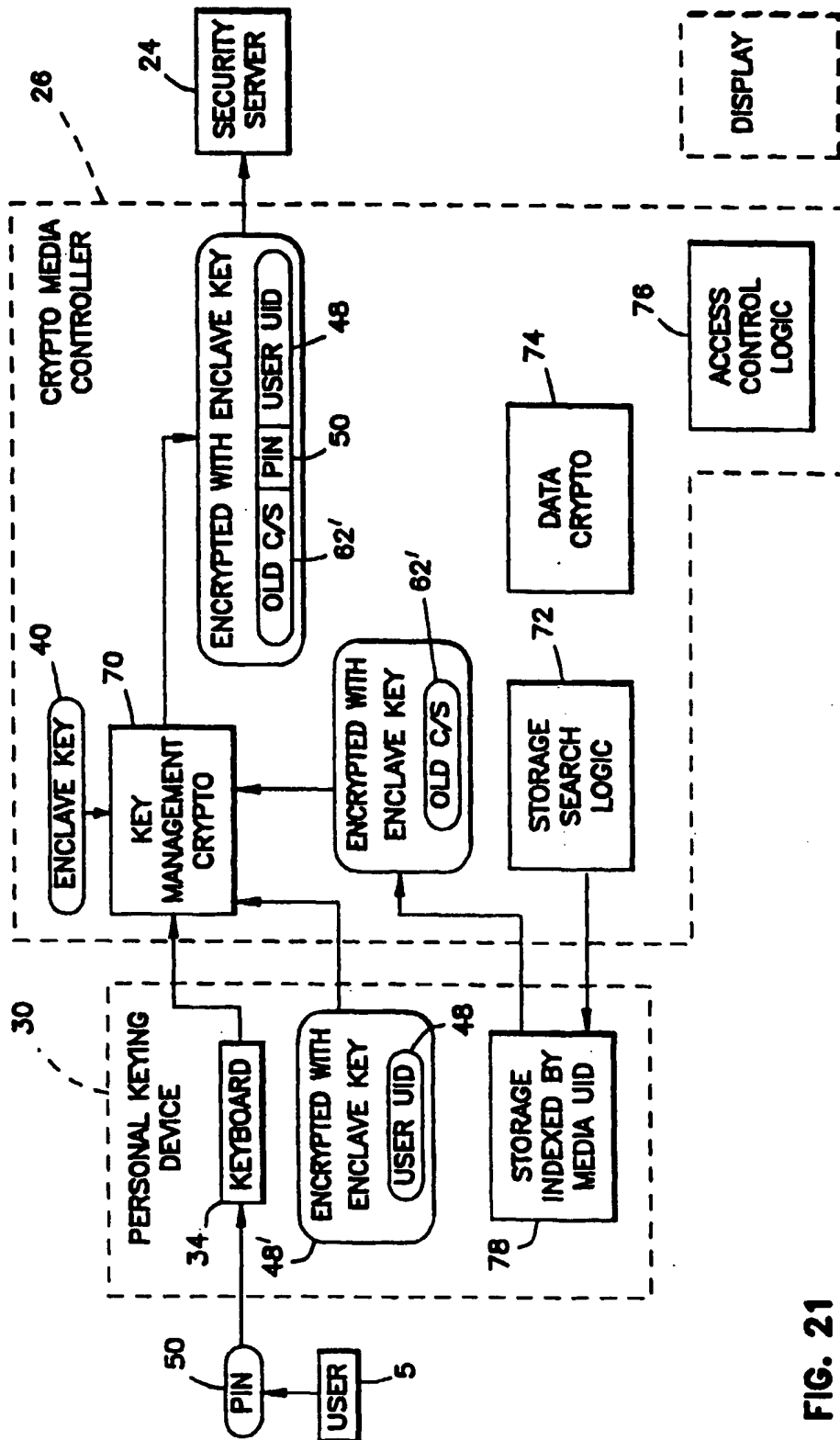


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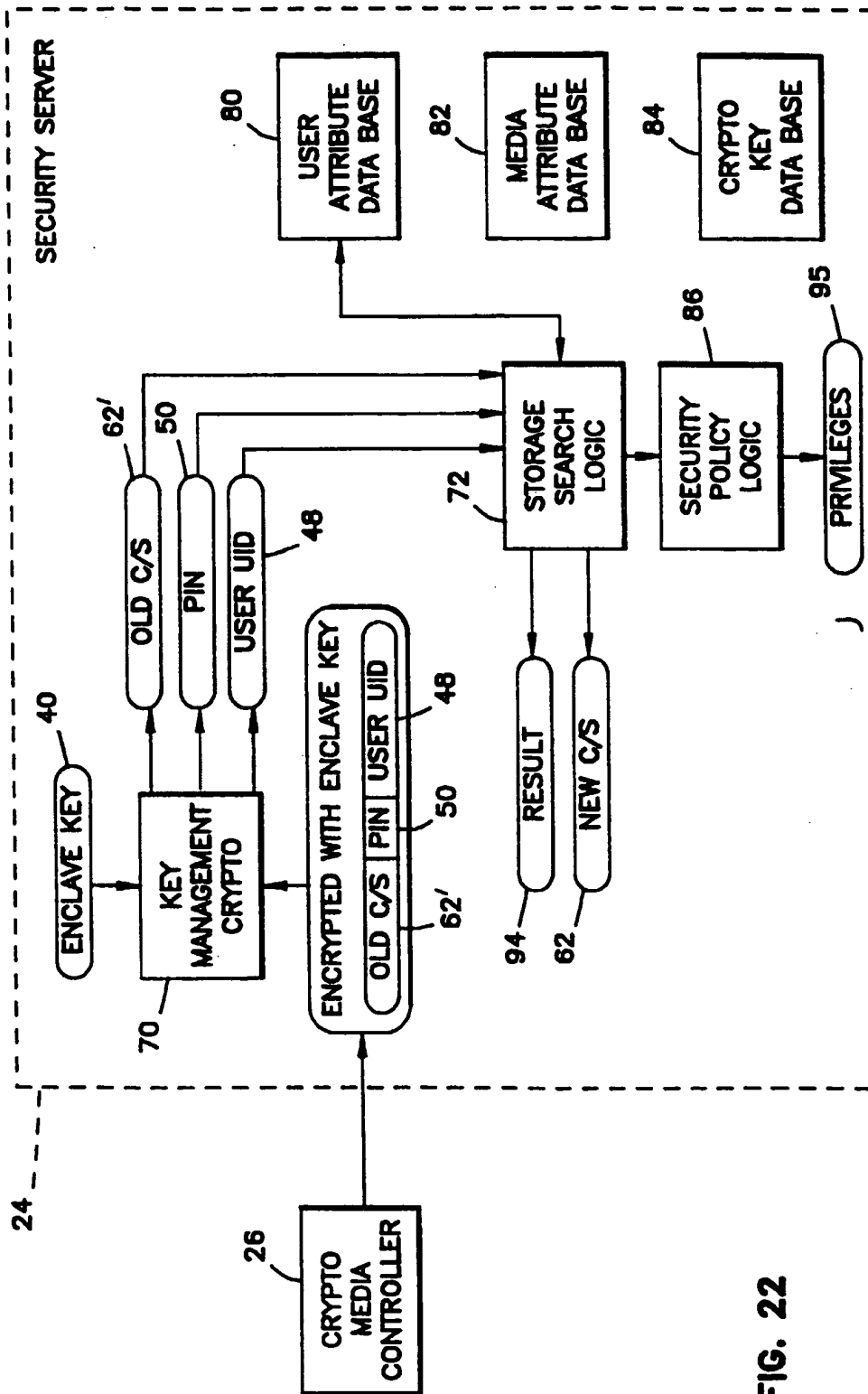
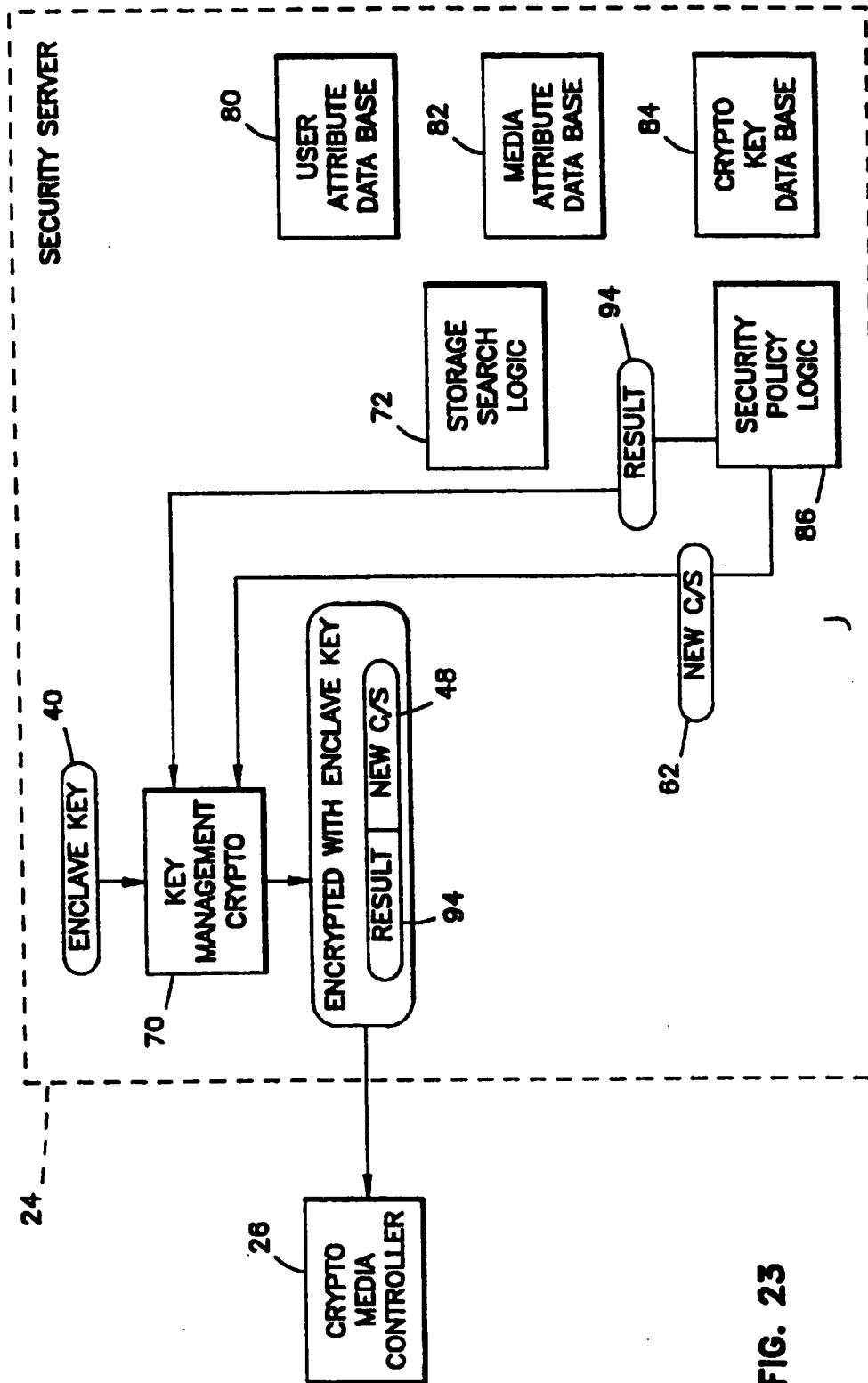


FIG. 22



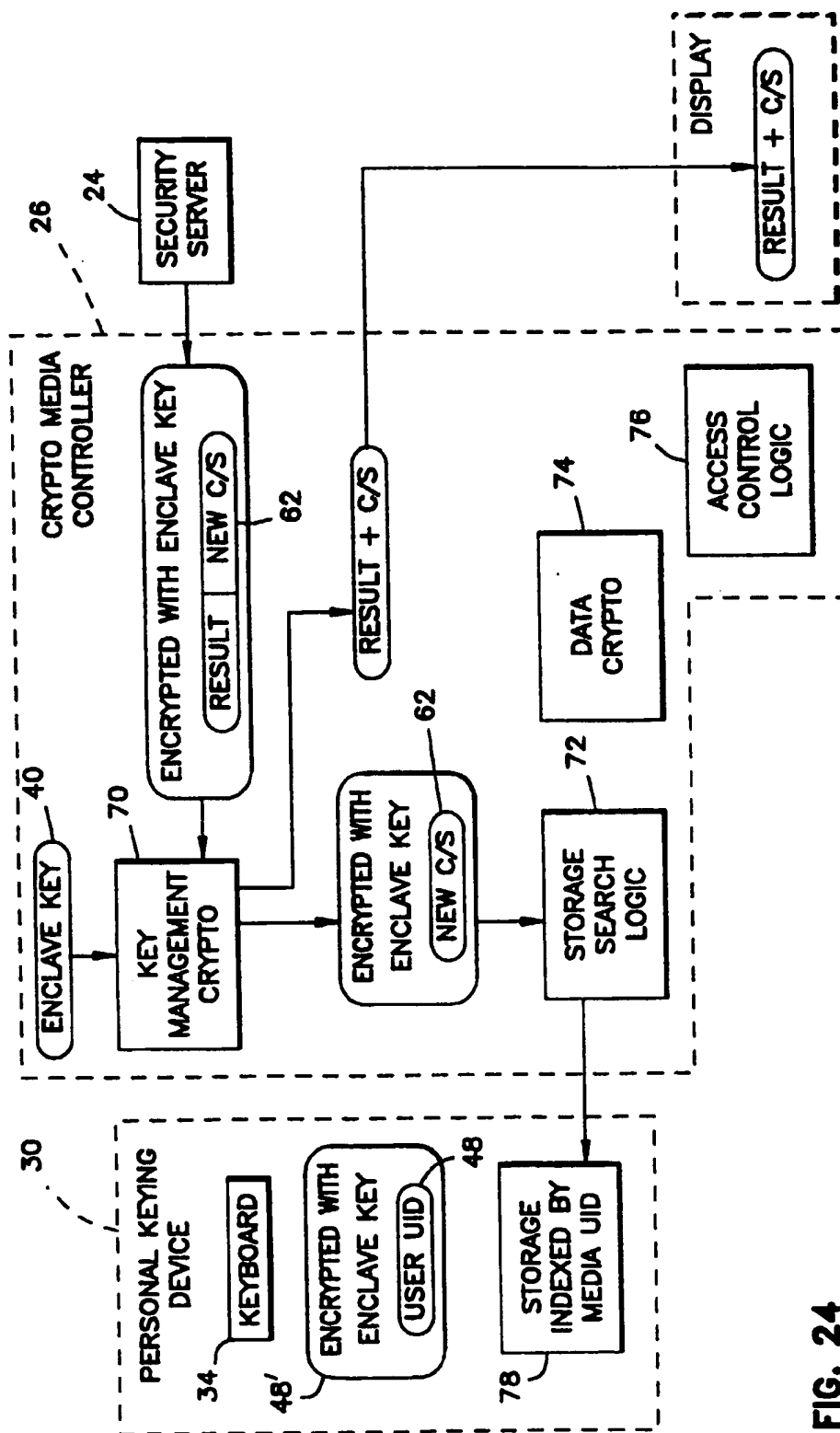


FIG. 24

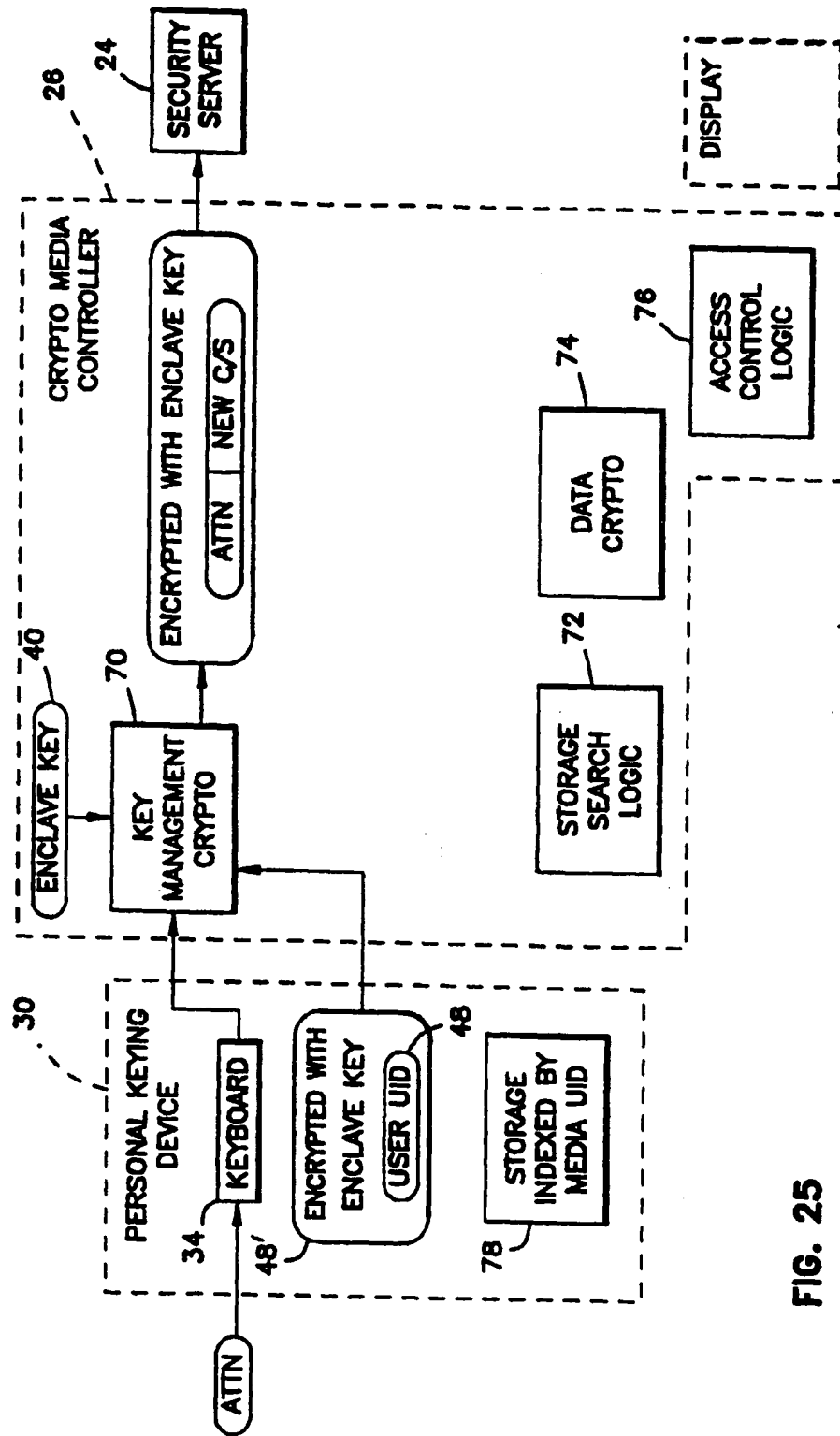


FIG. 25

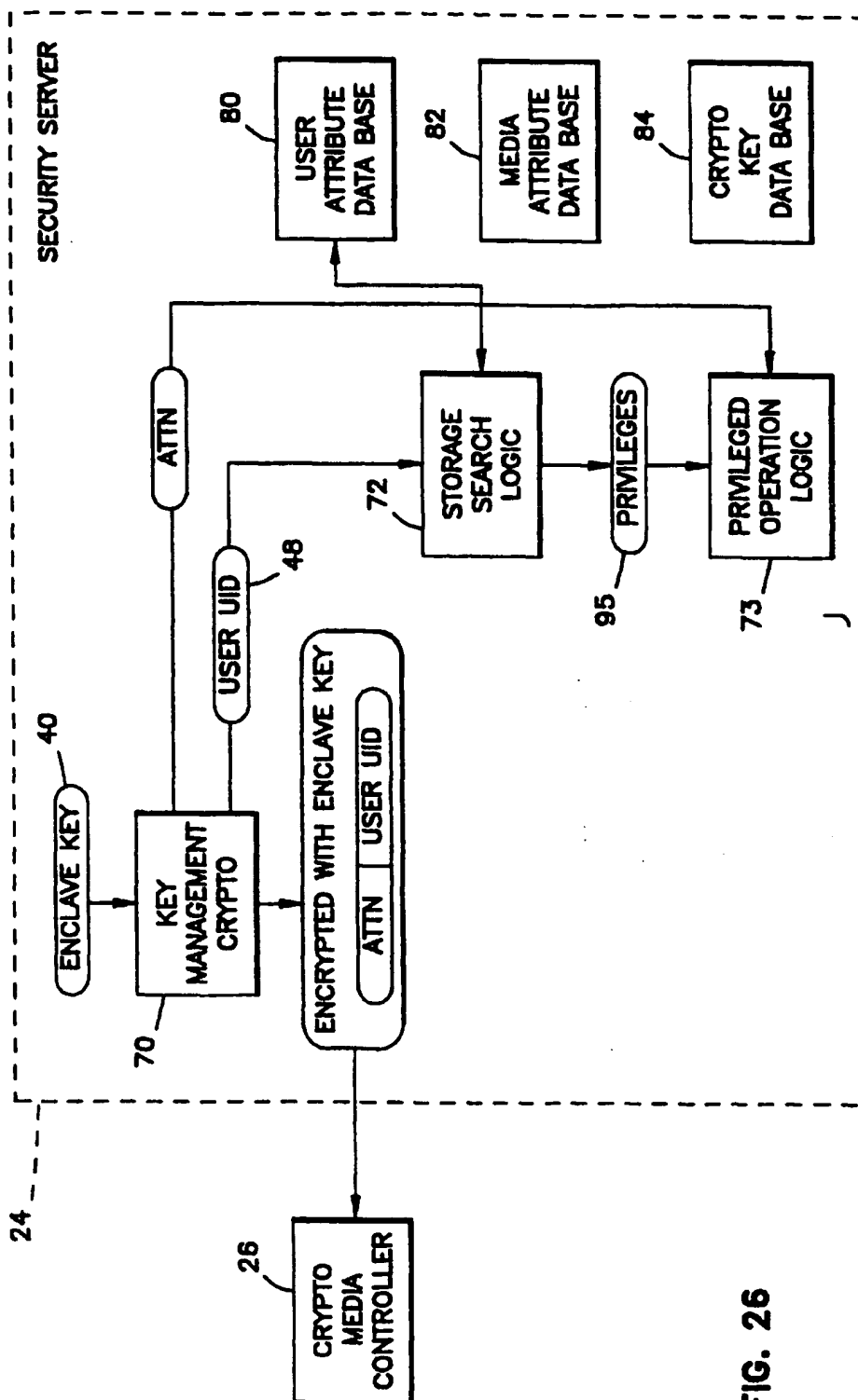


FIG. 26

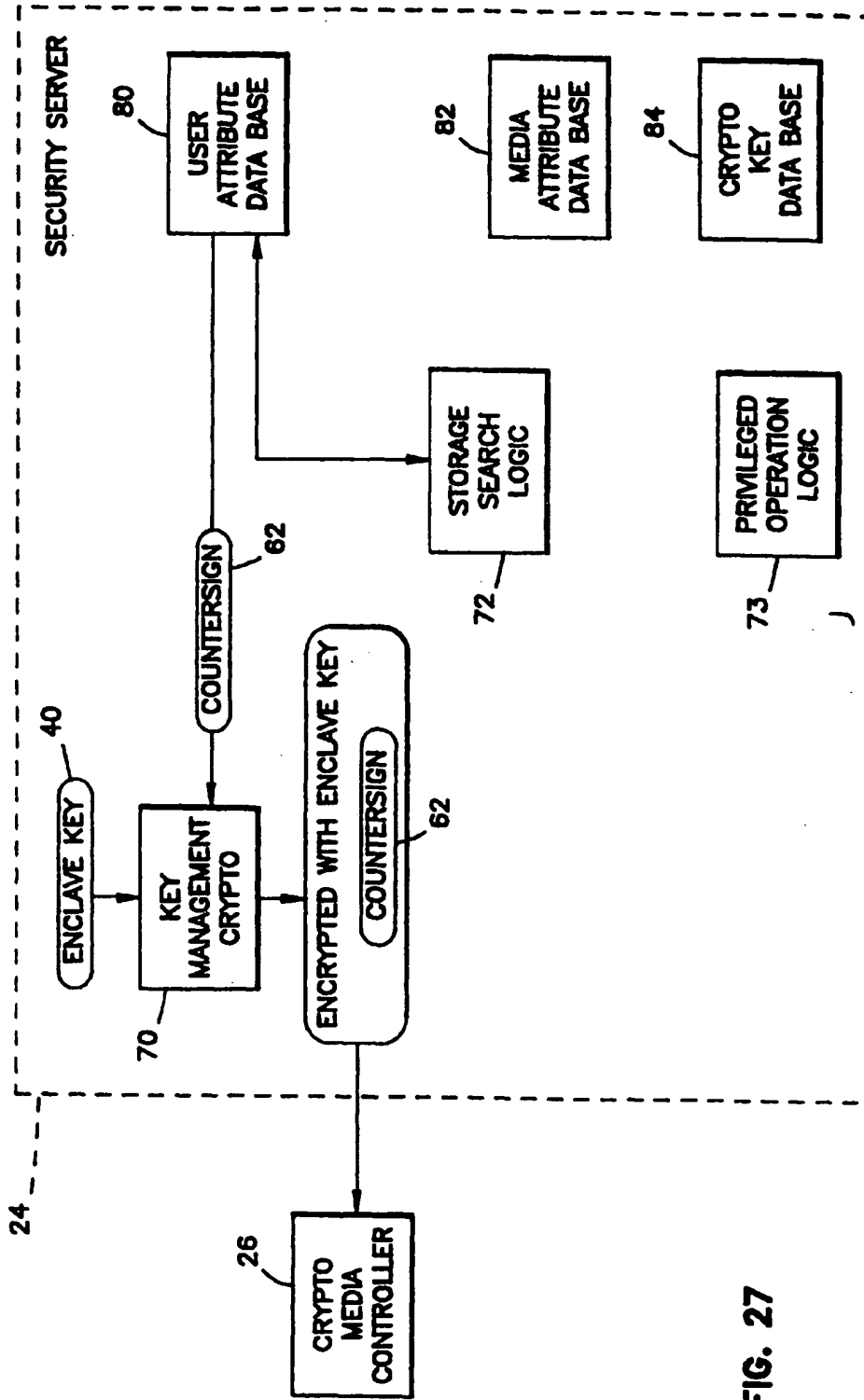


FIG. 27

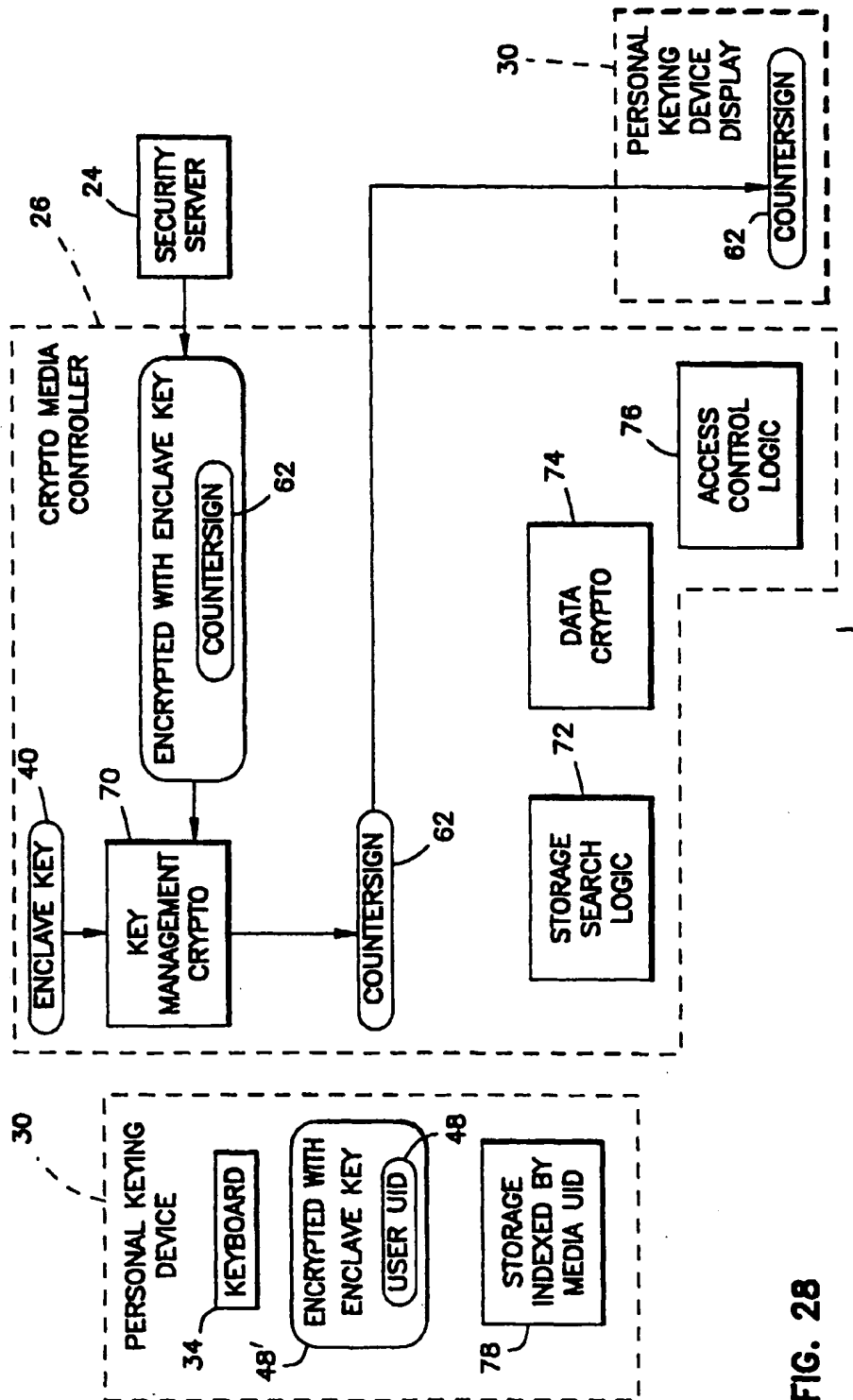


FIG. 28

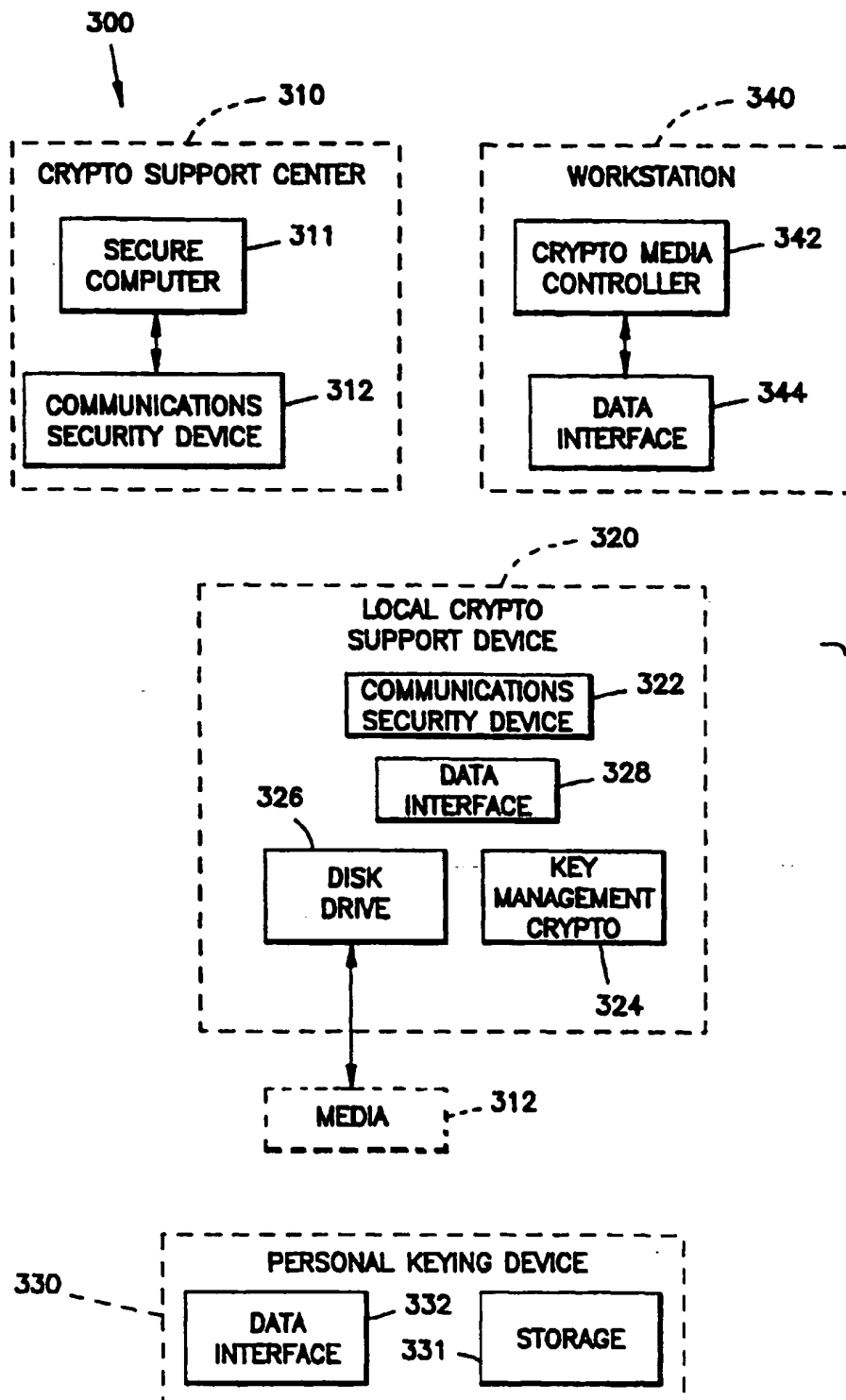


FIG. 29

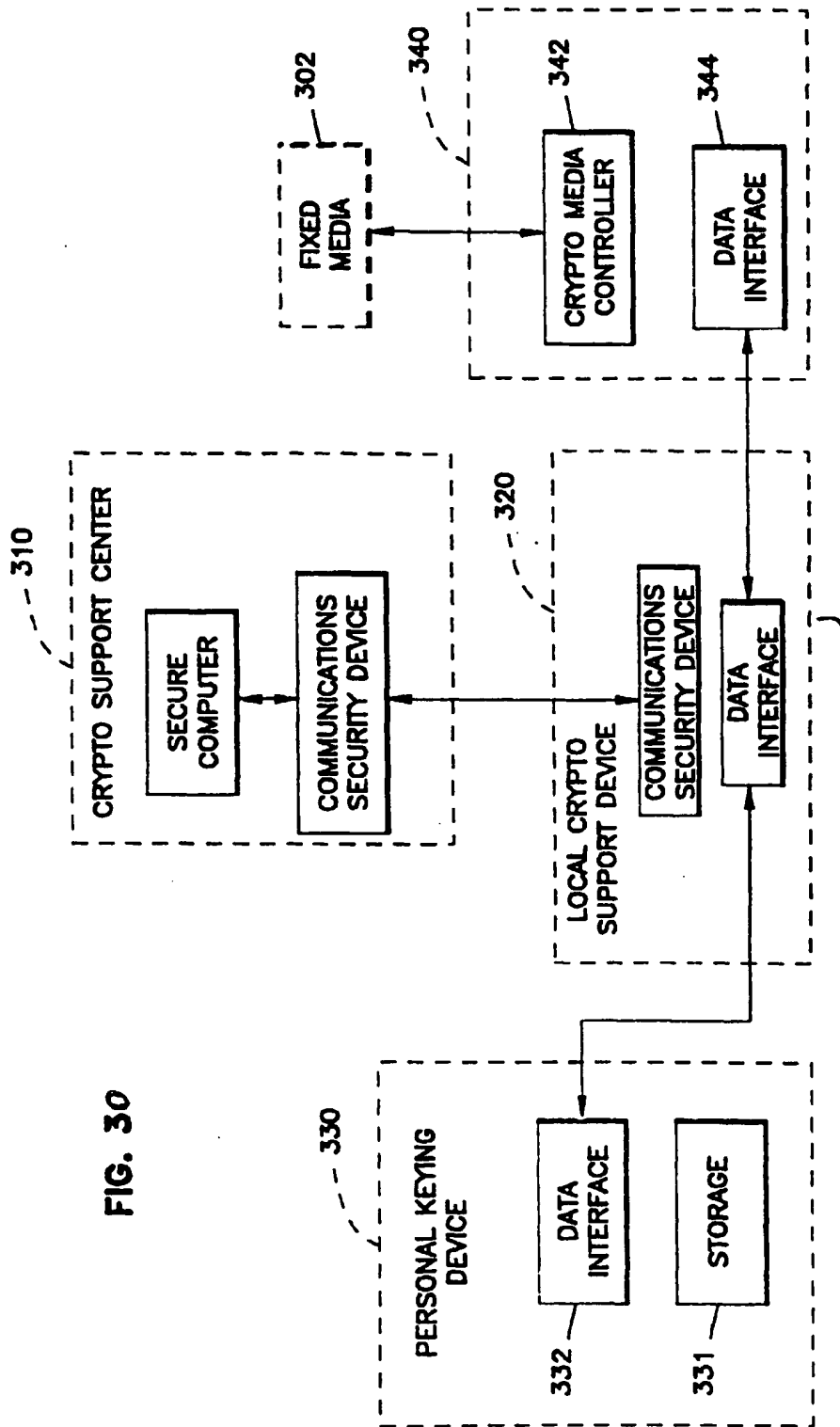


FIG. 30

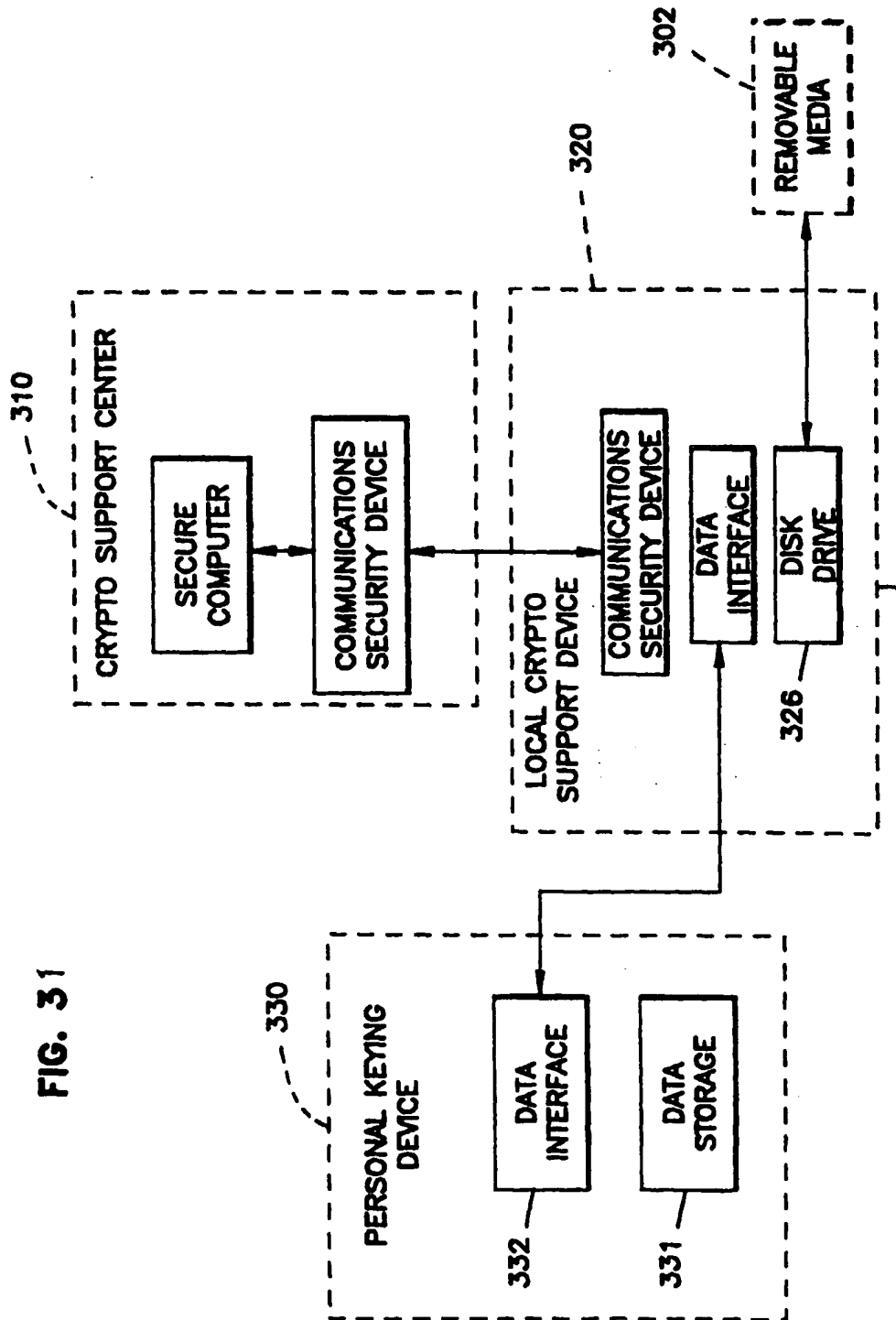


FIG. 31